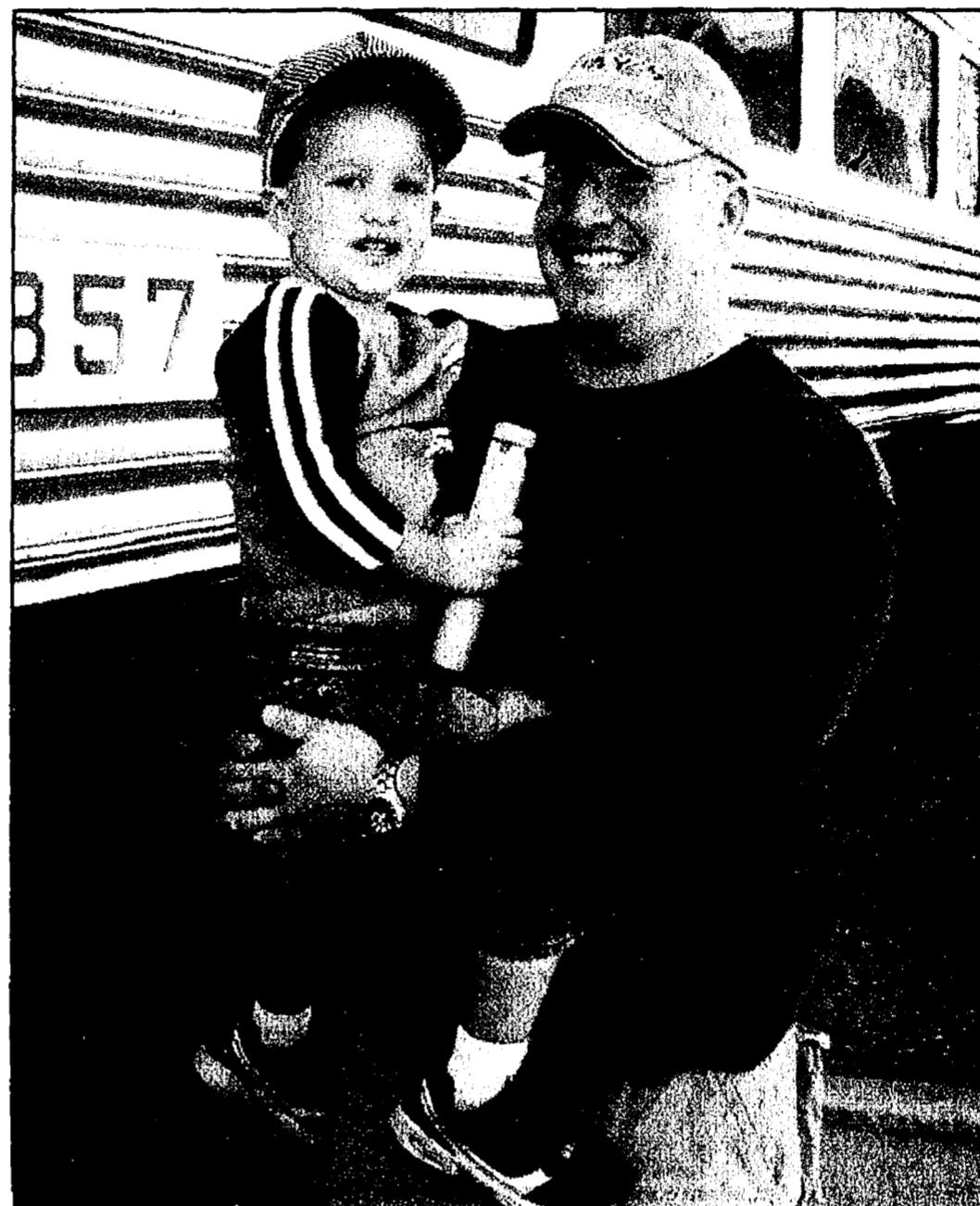
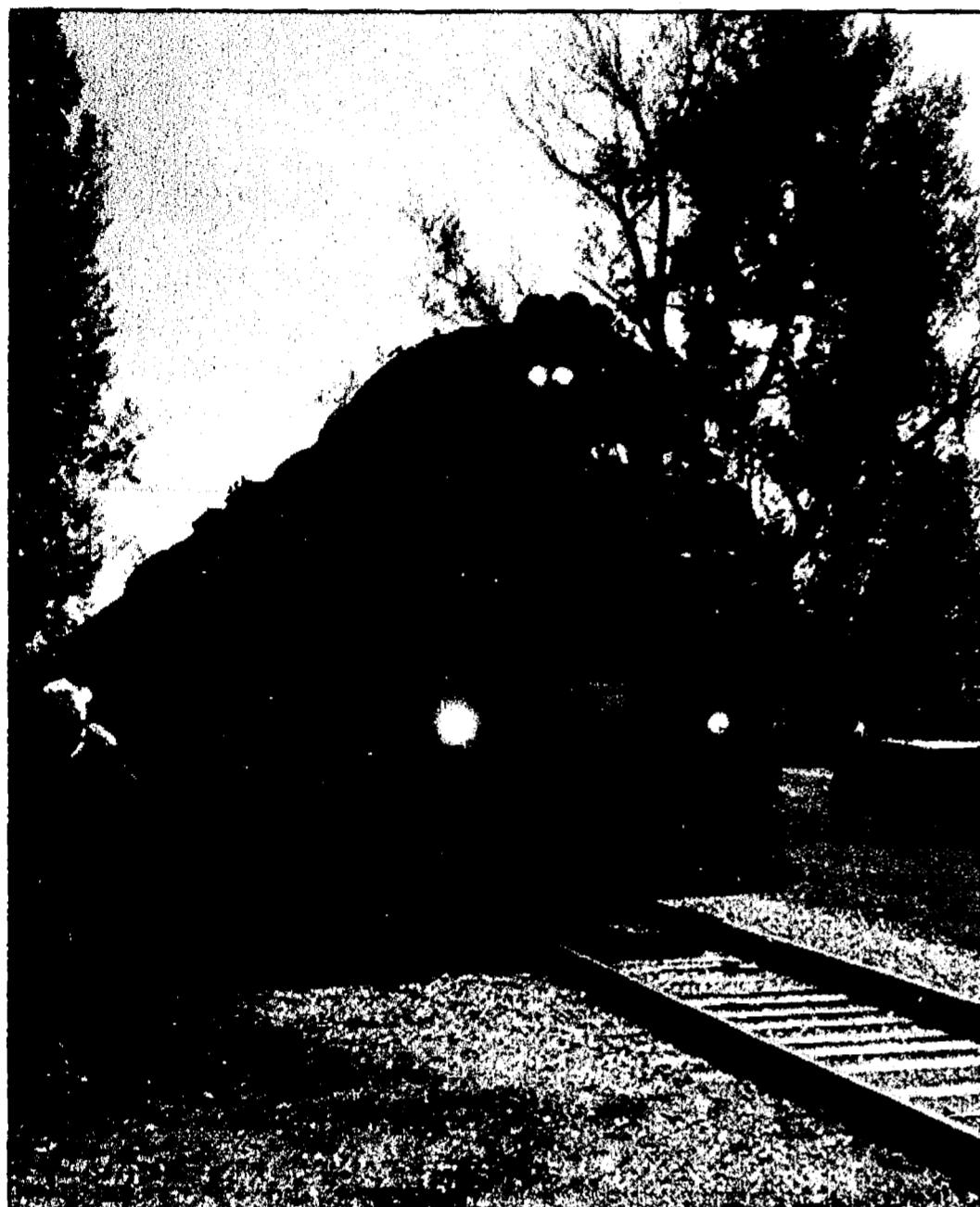


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## *Big Bertha rolls into town*



Photos by Dan Sanderson

The Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society and the Crawford County Historical Society held their Grayling Train Excursion on Saturday and Sunday. The weekend featured the Grayling Color Tour Excursion, which included a two-hour trip through the fall colors on Saturday. The passenger cars were pulled by a historic Alco diesel locomotive, pictured on the left, owned by Lake State Railway Company, called Big Bertha. Above right, Paul and Andrew Kanary, 3, of Grayling, were downtown Saturday to greet the train as it rolled into town. Andrew dug his train whistle and conductors hat out of his toy box for the train excursion festivities.

## Four vie for city manager position

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Grayling City residents are encouraged to attend a meeting on Saturday, when four candidates vying for the city manager's position will be interviewed.

The first interviews will be held at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14 at the Grayling City Hall. The other applicants will be interviewed at 12:30 p.m. and at 2 p.m. The interviews are open to the public.

Philip Belcher, from Clinton Township, David Thayer, from Lexington, and Victor Cardenas from Ferndale are three of the candidates who will be interviewed for the position. A fourth candidate has requested that their name be kept confidential prior to the meeting on Saturday.

Consultants from the Michigan Municipal League, who are helping recruit a new city manager, and city officials withheld the name of prospective city managers before releasing the information on Tuesday.

City officials are trying to ensure that the candidates receive a fair and impartial opportunity during the interview

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## Third graders support museum's efforts

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Cookies, cookbooks and contributions around the house are helping add to the coffers at the Crawford County Historical Museum.

The 135 third graders from Grayling Elementary School recently toured the museum as part of a school project to learn about local history and the core democratic value of looking out for the common good.

On the walk back from the museum downtown to the school, students brain stormed on how they could help the museum. Kaylyn Camp, a student in Laurie Canfield's class, came up with the idea to raise funds for the museum, and the plans took off from there.

Students were given until Friday, Oct. 13 to come up with their own fund raising ideas to raise money. One student donated their allowance, and others pitched in to do extra chores around the house. Dakotah Mansfield, a student in Gina Brunskill's class, developed a cookbook based on the museum's recent train color tour

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Shae-lin Krayes and Ally Robson sold homemade cookies to raise fund for the Crawford County Historical Museum.

## Teachers contract approved

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Crawford AuSable School District officials have approved a contract with the district's teachers.

The Crawford AuSable School District Board, at a special meeting held on Monday, Sept. 25, approved a contract with the Crawford AuSable Federation of Teachers, the labor union representing the district's 124 teachers.

Terms of the contract include a 1.5 percent pay hike. Teachers are also required to pay \$10 per month toward the premium cost for health insurance.

"We're pleased that we have finalized the contract with the teachers and we look forward to a good school year," said Joe Powers, the superintendent for Crawford AuSable Schools.

The school board had hoped to settle the contract in August, prior to the start of the school year. Members of the teacher's union, however, voted not to approve the one-year proposed contract due to salary, insurance

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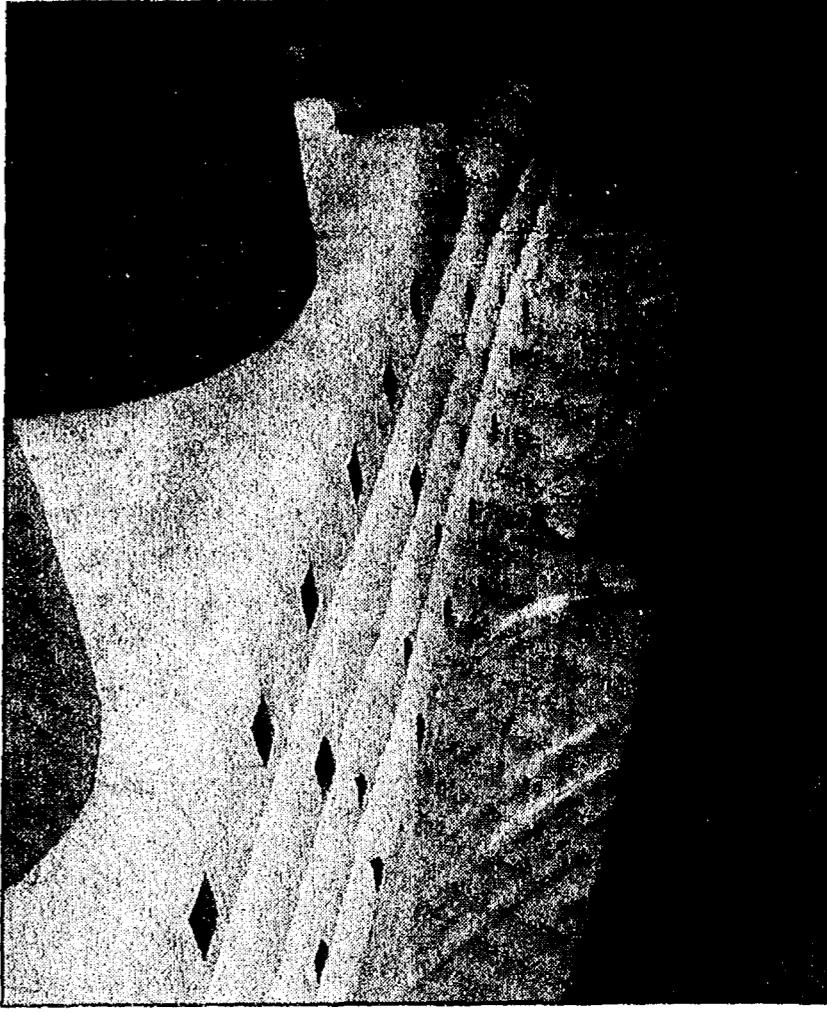
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## Fall Fun Festival



Photos by Dan Sanderson

The Grayling Baptist Church held a Fall Fun Festival-Block Party at the Grayling Middle School on Saturday. Youth jumped around in a moon walk, slid down a Titanic slide and enjoyed popcorn and cotton candy. Above left, Tasha Roe, 2, of Gladwin, licks the cotton candy off her fingers while checking out the Fall Fund Festival activities. Above right, Ashton Hansen, 4, of Saginaw, takes his turn on the Titanic slide. Hansen was in town visiting his grandpa, Mark Hansen.

## Barricaded gunmen surrenders peacefully

A barricaded gunman, who fired off shots while his family was in the home, surrendered to police after creating a disturbance in Grayling Township last week.

Patrick John Smith, 57, was charged in Crawford County District Court on Tuesday, Oct. 3 for reckless discharge of a firearm while intoxicated.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said police were dispatched to Smith's home located on E. Four Mile Rd. at 7:21 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 2, in response to an intoxicated man creating a disturbance.

Upon arrival, deputies learned that Smith had barricaded himself in a back bedroom of the residence with weapons.

Officers attempted to speak with Smith and get him to come out. Smith refused to leave the bedroom and fired several shots with a firearm inside the bedroom. Officers backed out of the residence to await the assistance of the Northern Michigan Mutual Aid Swat Team to respond to the scene.

After talking with Smith on the phone for several hours, Wakefield was able to convince him to exit the residence and surrender peacefully.

Seventeen Swat officers from various Northern Michigan counties responded to the scene. The officers searched the home and secured the guns after Smith surrendered.

Deputies and officers from the Grayling City Police Department took Smith into custody at 10:54 p.m.

Smith was released after posting bond on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

Troopers from the Michigan State Police Houghton Lake Post assisted at the scene.

## Four vie for city manager position

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Seventeen people applied for the job, and background checks were done on five candidates.

Former Grayling City Manager Allen Lowe resigned from his position at the city council's meeting on June 26, citing a request from some city council members that he step down. Lowe held the position for six and half years.

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# Burtsch recognized as GHS Honored Alumnus

The Grayling Alumni Association honored James Burtsch for his service and dedication to the community at its recent banquet.

Burtsch, a member of the Grayling High School Class of 1953, was recognized as the 2006 Honored Alumnus at the Grayling High School Alumni Association's banquet held at the Holiday Inn, Grayling on Sept. 9.

During Burtsch's high school days, he played four years on the basketball team, serving two years as the team captain and obtaining some of the school records. He also participated in track for four years, baseball for three years and played the saxophone in band for six years.

After graduation, Burtsch attended Michigan State University (MSU) and played on the basketball team for a year and a half. He graduated in 1957 with a degree in economics. Burtsch then joined the Army and was commissioned as a second-lieutenant through the ROTC program at MSU. He

served two years as commanding officer of an Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit before he was discharged in 1960.

Burtsch pursued a career in banking, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Banking in 1970. He continued in the business for 38 years, and held the position of bank president at three different banks for 18 years. Burtsch returned to the Grayling area in 1997 and retired from Citizens Bank in 1998.

Shortly after returning to Grayling, Burtsch was asked by Helen Feldhauser to be a member of the GHS Alumni Association. At his first meeting, Burtsch was elected to the Board of Directors for the Alumni Association and has served as president of the organization for the last eight years.

Jim and his wife, Diane, have five children, 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Burtsch helps run the Diane's Car Wash and JD Car Wash locations in Grayling, which he

owns with his wife. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Shrine Club and the Rotary Club of Grayling. He has volunteered for several Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce activities, and has also coached the Grayling Middle School basketball team for several years.

Burtsch has been on the Crawford County Road Commission for the last four years. He recently became a member of the Michigan Volunteer Defense Force, serving as a captain in the organization.

Burtsch was humbled to be honored by the Alumni Association.

"I am very honored and appreciative of the Alumni Association for selecting me as their honoree this year," he said.

Alumni from the Class of 1936, celebrating 70 years; Class of 1946 - 65 years; Class of 1941 - 60 years; Class of 1956 - 50 years; and Class of 1961 - 45 years; attended the banquet.



Photo by Dan Sanderson

**James Burtsch, a member of the Grayling High School Class of 1953, was recognized as the 2006 Honored Alumnus at the Grayling High School Alumni Association's banquet held at the Holiday Inn, Grayling, on Sept. 9.**

## Governmental Forum to be held

The Crawford County Economic Development Partnership (CCEDP) has taken the lead role to organize the annual governmental forum in Crawford County. Planning for the event began in early June.

The forum will bring governing bodies together on Monday, Oct. 30, at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. The evening will begin with a social hour/cash bar at 5:30 p.m. At 6 p.m. governing bodies will officially call their meetings to order and call roll for each.

The buffet dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m. Each governing entity will present a brief report on its successes over the past year, followed by an update and discussion of economic

development.

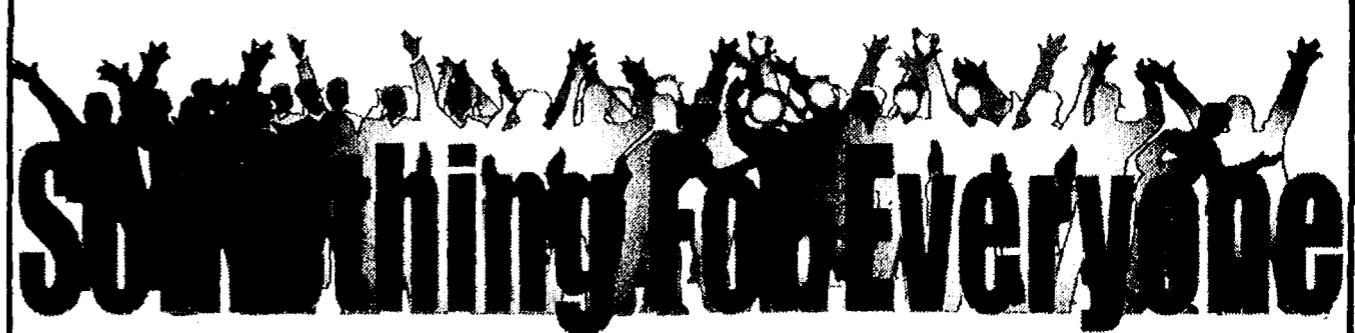
The City of Grayling, Crawford County, Crawford-AuSable School District, County Road Commission, Beaver Creek Township, Frederic Township, Grayling Township, Lovells Township, Maple Forest Township, South Branch Township, and the Crawford County Transportation Authority have been invited to participate.

"I've seen how a joint governmental forum like this can help governing entities work more closely, lead to tax savings for citizens, and ultimately lead to collaboration on projects of all types and sizes," explained CCEDP Executive Director Gaila Gilliland.

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**Doorways of the North:** 5% off any product purchased Thursday, October 12th.

**AuSable Gifts:** In-store sale, complimentary treats.

**Bicycle Shop:** Year End Sale. Open Tues-Sat 10-6.

**Dubois Lumber:** Summer close-out sale and complimentary refreshments.

**Great Lakes Mortgage:** Free appraisal when loan closes with us. Expires 12/31/06.

**Darlene's Milltown Groomers:** Bring in pet for free nail clipping.

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**Citizens Bank:** Inside bank ~ doughnuts and coffee served.

**J. Dap Co.:** Hourly drawings for J.Dap Gift certificates from 11-3, select sale items and refreshments.

**Grayling Holiday Inn:** Purchase a lunch entree at regular price of \$6.99 and get a free soup and salad bar.

**Scheer Motors:** Lube, oil & filter for \$19.95 on Thursday, October 12th only. Up to five quarts of oil, not valid with any other offer. 29 minute guarantee not applicable.

**Heads Up North:** Complimentary refreshments and 10% off all styling products.

**Grayling Big Boy Restaurant:** Free coffee or regular-size soft drink with any purchase of breakfast, lunch or dinner entree.

**RE/MAX of Grayling:** Doughnuts, cider, coffee and free balloons for children.

**Crawford County Avalanche:** Visit our office and receive a free 15-word classified ad certificate to use during October 2006. Also, free 10/12/06 paper!

**Century 21 River Country:** Complimentary cider and cookies.

**Grayling Restaurant:** Free coffee all day, October 12th.

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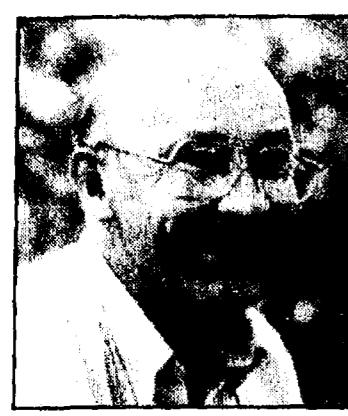
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# OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard L. Milliman

### Voters still thinking it over as election nears

MICHIGAN WILL select a governor for the next four years on Nov. 7, and many voters still are undecided how they will vote.

According to one poll after the first debate between Democratic Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Republican challenger Dick DeVos, both lost ground to the undecided category. Gov. Granholm still leads in the poll, but the margin is smaller.

The pre-debate poll showed Ms. Granholm ahead 50-42, with 12 percent undecided.

After the debate, both had lost a little ground, Mr. DeVos gained a bit, but undecideds went up three points to 15 percent. Ms. Granholm still led but only by four points, 46-40.

Politically speaking, the debate wasn't very good for either candidate. Some voters tended to say, "Wait a minute. Let's think about this for a while."

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winning Democrat Granholm and losing Republican Dick Posthumus — were reported at \$17.9 million, with Democrats at \$9.4 million and Republicans at \$8.5 million.

Heavy TV spending is expected to continue in the final weeks until voting day.

What does it take to run for a statewide office in Michigan these days? Either a very, very rich person, or one with very deep convictions plus either the deep pockets or a wide array of influential and rich friends.

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THE DEVOS TV campaign followed a definite pattern. Starting in February, it was a name recognition campaign, all about Dick DeVos. It worked well, as polls showed a steady growth in his support as his name became more widely known.

In early summer, DeVos ads turned more negative attacking Ms. Granholm's record, emphasizing Michigan's economic slide during her watch, plus adding to Mr. DeVos' positive side. Finally, in more recent days, the DeVos ads are more condemning the Granholm record and performance.

Democrats, meanwhile, started attacking Mr. DeVos early, emphasizing his business dealings including job cuts in Michigan and investments in China. These mostly were products of the

Democratic State Central Committee, all anti-DeVos. They continue.

Ads coming from the Granholm campaign organization follow similar lines since her TV spending started in late summer.

The same lines of negative attack by both sides permeated the first statewide televised debate, and probably caused fringe support on both sides to hold back.

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HEAVY RELIANCE on negative attack campaigns may be a product of our times. Political consultants are firm that negative advertising is the only way to get elected, and the idea feeds on itself.

A cynic might point out there's no way to prove otherwise these days because everybody is doing it, and the candidate who attacks most effectively wins. But how can we know for sure, since nobody attempts a strictly positive campaign any more?

But does it really change anyone's mind?

Democrats have concentrated on Mr. DeVos private record. They claim he cut jobs in his own company in Michigan, and built a plant in China. They accuse him of buying support in Washington to influence laws in his own behalf. And lately, they condemn his investment in a nursing and care facility located across

the country, including Michigan.

Republicans concentrate on Michigan's economic record during Ms. Granholm's four years as governor, blaming her for job loss and high unemployment. They hint she's responsible for releasing murderers from prison and providing inadequate youth protections by the state, leading to maltreatment of kids and the death of at least one child. They claim she let a new auto plant slip through Michigan's fingers because she snubbed Honda during an investment seeking trip to China.

All these charges by both sides are phony to one degree or another, and can be explained, justified or proved to be untrue. Yet both sides persist in their attacks.

This scenario causes unsure voters to ask themselves why they should vote for either one. It seems to have shifted some voters from committed to undecided.

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HISTORICALLY ABOUT one third of Michigan voters are Republican, one third are Democrats, and one third swing back and forth. That's why for years we have elected some Democrats, some Republicans to statewide office.

My theory is that negative campaigning, such as the charges flying out of both camps this year, tend to reinforce those who already are supporters of one side or the other.

The third in the middle hear these attacks, and some are convinced, and move to one candidate or the other. But a drumbeat of such negative pounding, with no positive counter-balance, may cause these late blooming supporters to question their choice.

The die-hard middle — those who start out undecided and stay that way pretty much until election day while they watch the campaigns unfold — continues to ask: "Okay. But what with either one really do if elected?"

With less than a month to go, 15 percent of voters still haven't decided. The continuous bombardment of negativity may be turning them away from both candidates.

What they finally decide will determine the election. There are enough of them at this point to elect the governor.

What will they do? They may hold their collective noses and break one way or the other. They may split as those already decided are lined up; that's what pollsters usually predict will happen. Or they may just throw up their hands and stay home.

It's just too bad that there is very little of a positive nature to help us decide.

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*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## Is Grayling trying | American Cruelty?

To the editor:

The expressway exit with no return, leaves many tourists hopelessly lost.

The Houghton Lake Clark gas station had gas for \$2.03 on Thursday. Sunday, a customer in Grayling's Clark station said she got gas for \$1.98 on

Saturday in Houghton Lake. It's been like this for over a year, 10 to 20 cents more. I work in Grayling and find myself shopping in Houghton Lake to buy gas.

Loreli Haddad  
Higgins Lake

To the editor:

I am hearing more and more from the Muslim community and others about American cruelty in our past, namely: "Dropping atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki." As World War II becomes more and more distant history, I am afraid that our young people are going to start believing this wrong information.

I feel qualified to try and set the record straight on the consequences if we had not dropped these bombs when we did.

I was a Marine pilot flying transport aircraft and was stationed on the Island of Guam in World War II. During the battles for Iwo Jima and Okinawa our squadron was flying Marines and supplies into the islands. When the war ended our job was to fly Marines and supplies into Japan and China. When Okinawa was secured the plans were that the Army and Marines would be invading Japan in the near future.

History shows that this type of battle would have been disastrous for both the Americans and the Japanese. Not only their military would have fought the Americans, but also many civilians.

In the battle for Okinawa, the Kamikaze (suicide) pilots were sinking many of our Navy ships. In an invasion of Japan, there was a question on how capable the Navy could be in protecting our ships that would be providing troops and supplies to Japan with this new danger to our ships.

I am fortunate to have a copy of the book "I Was Defeated" by Yoshio Kodama, printed in Japan in 1950. The author held a high position in the Japanese government during the war. He mentions that the allied powers had warned the Japanese to surrender unconditionally on the basis of the Potsdam Declaration on July 27. On July 28 Japan rejected it. The military leaders were determined to fight to the very last.

On Aug. 6, the atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. On Aug. 9, the atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki. Their military was still determined to keep on fighting.

On Aug. 13, the military leaders finally agreed to a surrender. On Aug. 14, the Emperor announced on the radio to all the people that Japan had unconditionally surrendered.

The author goes on: "The entire nation in solemnity, tears brimming in their hearts submitted obediently to the command to surrender."

"The stationing of American forces in Japan, and its disciplined, orderly and civilized attitude was unprecedented."

"There was fear that the American people would revenge the Pearl Harbor attack in some way or another, it did not happen."

"Aug. 28, marked the first arrival of American forces, but none of the unfortunate incidents expected took place."

"The people were simply astonished at the orderly conduct of the highly mechanized American forces. Many could not believe their eyes that these clean and smartly dressed men were really soldiers."

"No volume of fine words explaining democracy and no volume of money spent in propagandizing democracy could have had as great an effect as the disciplined and civilized attitude shown by the American

forces when they arrived in Japan. It was a most impressive and excellent lesson to the Japanese people."

"The first disciplined steps of the American forces into Japan astounded and completely entranced the Japanese people."

"This civilized and friendly attitude will never be forgotten in the hearts of the Japanese people."

"The American force did not lose sight of their spirit of democracy, even in their treatment of defeated nation."

"Their disciplined action made me realize how greatly I had been mistaken in my concepts of the American nation and her peoples."

"It appears that if the Japanese military leaders would have had their way, the war would have extended months, perhaps years. The Japanese people were very pleased to have it end. My comrades in the service at that time and I and the folks back home were extremely happy to see it end. Just ask them, their children and their grandchildren."

I was born and raised in Grayling. My father was Postmaster in the 30's and 40's and through his efforts the post office was built in 1937. After World War II, my brother Clayton and I formed the Grayling Air Service that opened the new airfield to civilian aviation.

Bud McDonnell  
Kalamazoo

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# BRIEFS

## COA to host speaker

The Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale, will host Honorable Janet Allen from the 46th Circuit Trial Court on Thursday, Oct. 19, 5 p.m. following dinner. Topics include the court, its structure, who the judges are, the types of cases the various courts handle, jury services, and the mediation services offered. The cost of the meal is a suggested donation of \$2 for seniors 60+ or \$4 for those under 60. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

## COA to host Harvest Dinner

The senior center will host a Harvest Dinner on Oct. 17 at 5 p.m. at the St. Mary's Family Center, 708 Peninsular, Grayling. Cornish hens, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, prince charles vegetables, maize bread and apple pie along with a salad bar will be served. Entertainment will be provided by "Dancing Dollies". Tickets are \$5 and should be purchased in advance at the Senior Center, 308 Lawndale St. All proceeds will support the Crawford County Commission On Aging and Senior Center. For information or transportation, contact Elouise Mize at (989) 348-7123.

## Cheer America to be held

Cheer America will be held at the American Legion Hall, Grayling, on Thursdays at 6 p.m. For more information call Amy Schorhaan at 732-7214.

## Straits Area Ostomy Assoc. to meet

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, Oct. 15, at 2 p.m., at Cheboygan Memorial Hospital, cafeteria, Cheboygan. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. Call 989-821-5721 for information.

## Church to hold concert

The Bear Lake Christian Church, M-72 west, Kalkaska, will host a concert on Oct. 15, at 6:30 p.m., featuring Mark and Andrea Forester. The Forester's sing southern and traditional gospel music and play a variety of instruments.

## COA to host speaker from Hospice

The Grayling Senior Center, 308 Lawndale, will host Ellie Specht from Hospice of Michigan, on Wednesday, Oct. 18, after the 12 p.m. meal. The cost of the meal is a suggested donation of \$2 for seniors 60+ or \$4 for those under 60. For information or transportation call Elouise Mize at 348-7123.

## Coats for Kids collection box available

Huntington Bank, Grayling, now has a collection box available for "Coat for Kids." All coats and jackets must be clean and in good repair and will be distributed by the Christian HELP Center.

## ABWA to meet for dinner

The American Business Women's Association will meet Oct. 17, at 5:30 p.m., at Quintana's for dinner. For questions call Lynn at 348-5426.

## Church to host speaker

The Burning Bush Tabernacle, will host Evangelist speaker Richard Madison, on Sunday, Oct. 15 at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The meetings will continue through Wednesday, Oct. 18. The public is welcome to attend.

## Republican committee to meet

The Crawford County Republican Committee will hold its regular monthly meeting on Oct. 16, at 5:30 p.m., at the Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling.

## Church to host fall party

The K.I.K.S' (Kids in Kingdom Service) Club of Resurrection Life Fellowship of Grayling, will hold the first fall KIK off party, Friday, Oct. 20, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. It is open to all children ages 6 to 10 years old and will include balloons, games, prizes, crafts, music, puppets and treats. The church is located in the Milltown Center Building (corner of I-75 Business Loop and M-72 east) For information or transportation call 348-9382 by noon on Friday, Oct. 20.

## GHS to hold re-test date for MEAP

Grayling High School will be holding re-test opportunities for any senior who wishes to repeat any or all portions of the MEAP test. Re-testing will be as follows: Mon. Oct. 23, science, 8:10 a.m. - 10:38 a.m.; Tuesday, Oct. 24, reading, 8:10 a.m. - 10:38 a.m.; Wed. Oct. 25, writing; 8:10 a.m. - 10:38 a.m.; Thurs. Oct. 26, math, 8:10 a.m.-10:38 a.m. Mon. Oct. 30, will be for make-ups, 8:10 a.m. - 10:38 a.m. Students may qualify for the Michigan Merit Award, a scholarship worth \$2,500 by earning scores of 1 or 2 in the math, science, reading and writing portions of the MEAP test.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

### Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Oct. 8, of \$25 each: Carolyn Osborne, Steve Doyle, Jack Money, Dick Kammer, Joy Hodges, Dawn McGee, Dennis Wallace, and Deb Roman.

### Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle on Oct. 6 for \$100 is: DeAnne Swiercz, of Grayling.

## CCEDP to host business seminar at library

The Crawford County Economic Development Partnership (CCEDP) will host the Entrepreneur Network, a series of once-a-month business development sessions, at the Devereaux Memorial Library.

Randall Seymour, first vice president and commercial lender for Chemical Bank, will speak on "What a Lender Looks for in a Business Plan", on Oct. 26, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"A business plan acts as the road map for the business providing directions and a destination, without it, the business will likely take a wrong turn and become lost," stated County Comptroller Paul Compo, who manages the county's economic development revolving loan fund.

According to Gail Gilliland, Crawford County Economic Development Director, "Any business can benefit from having a written business plan. A business plan need not be lengthy or complex, but must address various aspects of the business. Randall's presentation will give participants a sneak preview, from the perspective of a banker, as to what needs to be included in the business plan."

For the past seven years, Randall has assisted businesses in Roscommon, Crawford, and Missaukee Counties. He has been in the banking industry for over 30 years with more than 18 years devoted to commercial lending, is responsible for large business loan portfolios in addition to providing branch system support for business loan and depository services, and serves as the primary source for all SBA lending as well as Michigan's Capital Access Programs.

Randall is chairman and investment committee member for the Roscommon County Community Foundation and charter member and past president for the Houghton Lake Rotary Club and the Roscommon County United Way. He is also a past vice-president and trustee of the Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce.

Entrepreneur Network sessions are for existing Crawford County small business owners as well as individuals who are interested in starting a business in Crawford County.

In addition to on-going business training, the sessions offer a new opportunity for networking among entrepreneurs and small business owners.

The Entrepreneur Network provides a forum for entrepreneurs to exchange knowledge and experience, and polish fundamental networking skills.

The free sessions are held at the Devereaux Memorial Library on the fourth Thursday of each month, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Seating is limited; contact Gilliland by email at gailag@i2k.com or call 348-9030 to reserve a seat before Oct. 25.

## Murder-Mystery dinner theatre to be performed in Houghton Lake

The Houghton Lake Playhouse and the Theatre Arts Department of Kirtland Community College will present "Murder on the Trail", by Beth Roseberry McNellen, on Friday, Oct. 27 and Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Houghton Lake Playhouse.

Come join the fun in this audience participation, murder-mystery dinner theatre. Sophie Tyler's ex-husband came by for a loan just yesterday, today he needs an undertaker. Can Granite Hardpiece, Texas Ranger, find his killer? What does the local prostitute...ah call girl....ah working girl know? All the clues say the killer must be in the room. The lucky audience member who can help Granite solve the crime, wins a prize!

The cast includes Keri Franklin, as Sophie, of Rose City. The role of Candy, will be played by Brittany Dunn of Lewiston. Granite Hardpiece will be played by John Bawol of St. Helen. Jason Avalos, of Roscommon, will play the role of Lorenz. The role of Extra, Extra will be played by Steven Jetton of St. Helen. The play is directed by Joshua Jurgess of St. Helen.

The evening will begin with a cash bar at 5:30 p.m. and the show and dinner starting at 6 p.m. The tickets for Friday, Oct. 27 will be \$20 and the tickets for Saturday, Oct. 28 will be \$26. To make reservations, call 989-275-6777. Tickets will also be available at the Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce at 989-366-5644.

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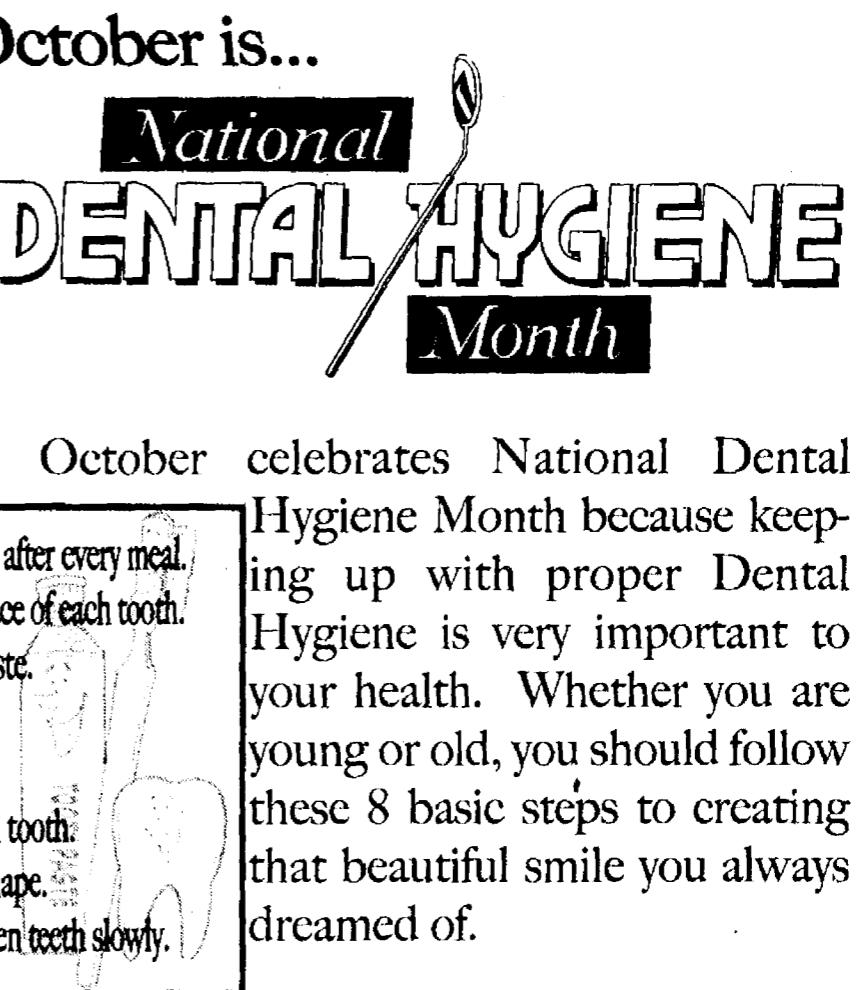
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# The Bible Speaks

## God's Justification Refutes Errors

God had just finished teaching us in Romans 3:24-26 that justification is by God's free grace, through faith in our redemption by Christ's blood whereby God gives us forgiveness of sins and declares us righteous by imputing to us the righteous life of Jesus Christ.

After spending almost three chapters proving pagans, moralists, and religionists to all be sinners before a Holy God; And after explaining in detail how we can only be saved by faith in the gospel alone; God concludes this chapters with a negative polemic refuting any attacks upon the gospel of God's grace.

First, God refutes any basis for human pride or boasting in salvation in Romans 3:27: "Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith." As God tells us in Ephesians 2:8,9: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." "And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no

more work." (Romans 11:6). God was refuting the pride of the Jews who made their boast of being saved by keeping God's law and rituals. Jesus spoke a parable against such self-righteousness in Luke 18:9-14.

God not only refuted all human boasting, but also all claims of human works for righteousness in salvation in Romans 3:28: "Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law." This is why the apostle Paul counted his past religious pride of his birth and achievements as dung to know Christ in Philippians 3:8,9: "And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:" As we are told in Galatians 3:11: "But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, the just shall live by faith." As Romans 4:5 says, "But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness." Human works are always the fruit or results of salvation, and never the root or cause. Read also Ephesians 2:10.

Next God refutes all sectarianism or limitation of God's justification in salvation in Romans

3:29: "Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also." The Jews had been taught this truth in Isaiah 54:5: "'For thy Maker is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel: The God of the whole earth shall he be called.' Jeremiah 16:19 also said: "'O LORD, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit.' As Galatians 3:8 teaches: 'And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.' This is why Jesus Christ commanded us to preach the gospel to 'every creature' (Mark 16:15), in 'all nations' (Matthew 28:19; Luke 24:47). Our God teaches us that all other gods, bibles, and religions are false and unable to forgive sins, give eternal life, and take us to heaven. Pastor "B"

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Children's Sunday School ..... 11 am  
(Childcare Available)

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor: David Jorgenson  
Phone: 989-348-1909  
Services held Saturday at  
Campus of M-75 East  
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)  
Sunday Church Service ..... 9:30 am  
Saturday Sabbath School ..... 10:30 am  
Tuesday Prayer Meeting ..... 7 pm

**Lo-Lo's Community Chapel**  
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Pastor: Larry Hansen  
Address: 1000 N. Huron  
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989-348-2701

Sunday School (youth & adult) ..... 10 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Wed Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7-8 pm

**Free Methodist**  
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Early Service ..... 8:30 am  
Sunday School ..... 10 am  
Morning Service ..... 11 am  
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) ..... 7 pm

**Emma Lowry United Church Of Christ**  
3474 West Park Road, Leland  
Sunday Worship ..... 11 am  
Adult and Youth Sunday School ..... 9:30 am

**Heritage Baptist**  
Pastor Eric Wagner 348-1411  
heritagelutheran@grayling.org

1841 Hartwick Pines Rd. (1/4 mile west of I-75)  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 am  
Morning Worship ..... 11 am  
Evening Worship ..... 6 pm  
Wednesday ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Assembly of God**  
Pastor Gary Wagner  
101 S. I-75 Business Loop  
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Sunday School ..... 9:30 am  
Morning Worship ..... 10:30 am  
Evening Service ..... 6 pm  
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Wed. Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7 pm

**Grayling Valley Tabernacle Church of God**  
Pastor Donald Gorrell  
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Meeting at the Primary School

Sunday ..... 10:30 am

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## OBITUARIES

### Alma M. Gorecki

**July 21, 1924 - Oct. 5, 2006**

Alma Margaret Gorecki, 82, of Frederic, passed away on October 5, 2006.

She was born on July 21, 1924, in South Fork, Pa., to the late John and Emma (Dorn) Penrod. She married Raymond Harry Simmons on December 24, 1941, who preceded her in death. She later married William Gorecki. She and husband, William came to Frederic in 1978 and owned Manchau's Motel until about 1981.

Alma worked for Crawford County Transportation and Hartwick Pines. She enjoyed cooking, gardening, and spending time with her grandchildren and family.

She is survived by sons, Barry (Nora) Simmons of Howell and Keith (Henrietta) Simmons of Frederic; grandchildren: Kerry, Brian (Joanna), Sarah (Felix), and Sonya; five great-grandchildren; sister, Madeline Rishell of Pa.; brother, Fred (Mary) Penrod of Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband Raymond Simmons in 1970 and husband William Gorecki in 1984; son James Simmons in 1999, two brothers, and two sisters.

The funeral took place on October 7, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Barnett officiating. Interment was at Mapie Forest Twp. Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Frederic Hobby Club.

Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### Diane L. Monks

Diane L. Monks, 63, of Grayling, passed away on October 9, 2006. A memorial service is being planned. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

A full obituary will appear in next weeks edition of the Avalanche.

### Nellie Gieryk

**May 18, 1925 - Oct. 1, 2006**

Nellie Gieryk, 81, of Grayling, passed away on October 1, 2006.

She was born on May 18, 1925, in Imlay City, to John Henry and Helena Madeline (Carter) Millard. She moved to the Grayling area seven years ago, coming from Ypsilanti. She was married to Raymond Allen Stein for 20 years before he preceded her in death, and then married Constantine Gieryk and was married for 20 years.

She is survived by daughter, Twyla (Ernie) McMillen of Grayling; sons, Dale (Terri) Stein of Monroe and Gary Stein of Lafayette, Colo.; step-children, Connie Litzner and Mike Gieryk; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren; sister, Mary (William) Coy of Maple Forest Twp; and brother, William (Jeanette) Millard of Ariz.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Raymond Allen Stein, and husband, Constantine Gieryk; one brother; six sisters; daughter, Joann; son, James; granddaughter, Tammy Lee Marshall and grandson, Dale Allen Stein Jr.

The funeral was held on October 3, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home with Pastor Robert Barnett officiating. Interment was at Mapie Forest Twp. Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com. Arrangements by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

### In Memory of

In loving memory of Russell D. (R.D.) Stone, October 13, 1998.

8 years - Miss you as much now as then. A few times I caught him with tears in his eyes (silently weeping). I think he knew he was going to be leaving us soon, but didn't want to worry us.

R.D. forever in our hearts.

wife E.J. and family

## SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Please try to call for reservations at (989) 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Oct. 13 - Lunch - pork roast, baked potato, mixed vegetables, and applesauce. No Dinner. 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest satellite meal, 1 p.m. Stagette Club and Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, Oct. 14 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for appt. and bring your own towel.

Sunday, Oct. 15 - All you can eat pancake brunch - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Pancakes, sausage and eggs, fruit bar, dessert, juice, coffee and milk. \$5 per person.

Monday, Oct. 16 - Lunch - stuffed cabbage, peas, boiled potatoes, and peaches. Dinner - baked fish, broccoli, O'Brien potatoes, and mandarin oranges. 9:30 a.m. COA board meeting, 10 a.m. aerobics, 1 p.m. Bridge Club, 5:30 p.m. Yahtzee.

Tuesday, Oct. 17 - Lunch - hot roast beef sandwich, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots and grapes. Harvest Dinner - cornish hens, mashed potatoes with gravy, Prince Charles vegetables, maize bread, and apple pie. 12:45 p.m. Euchre, 5 p.m. Harvest Dinner at St. Mary's Family Center.

Wednesday, Oct. 18 - Lunch - Teriyaki chicken, California blend vegetables, tossed salad, and pineapple. Dinner - baked ham, Brussels sprouts, au gratin potatoes, applesauce, and pumpkin custard. 10 a.m. line dancing, 12:30 p.m. speaker - Hospice of Michigan, 2 p.m. caregiver class.

Thursday, Oct. 19 - Lunch - roast turkey with dressing; mashed potatoes with gravy; green beans, and pears; Dinner - meat loaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, corn, and mixed fruit. 10 a.m. aerobics and craft class, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks, 12 p.m. sonnets and songs, 5 p.m. speaker on court system, 5:30 p.m. Uno-Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 90 complaints the week of Oct. 2 - Oct. 8:

One structure fire, one delinquent minors, 10 false alarms, four burglaries/home invasions, two larcenies, two fraudulent activities, two damage to properties, one drug/narcotics violations, one weapons offense-possible use of firearm, seven public peace/orderlies, seven health and safeties, one miscellaneous criminal offense, nine traffic accidents, one accident-suspicious.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Devereaux Memorial Library

Birds of Prey will be featured on Thursday, Oct. 19, at 3:30 p.m., in the library conference room.

No sign-up needed and all ages are welcome. The presentation is sponsored by the ARK Association to Rescue Kritters of Roscommon.

**Does Funeral Service Puzzle YOU?**

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Pastor Paul & Debbie Morris  
Sunday Services ..... 11 am  
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# Youth excels in regional motocross racing circuit

by Dan Sanderson  
Staff Writer

Sam Davis ended his first year racing motorcycles with a trophy nearly twice his height.

Davis, 6, of Maple Forest Township, raced in the 50 Junior and 50 SS classes in the American Motorcyclist Association District 14 competition.

Davis received his first racing motorcycle, a KTM Mini 50 Adventure, in April.

Davis was a quick learner, riding on his family's three-acres with his dad, Tom, and brother,

Jacob, 12.

Tom and his wife, Chris, opted to get the motorcycle for Sam since he loved riding BMX bicycles. Sam also looks up to his father and his uncle, Kris, who rode and raced motorcycles as youngsters.

"In my eyes, that's what it's all about, going out and racing and having fun," Tom said.

Sam raced in events at Bay Racing in Kingsley and at the Baja MX in Millington.

Sam said his favorite part of the races is when the starting gate drops and the racers try to

be in the lead at the first curve, called taking the "whole shot" in racing lingo.

Sam took first place in a series of 10 races, held at Bay Racing, based on the number of races he participated in and his first-place finishes.

He did so well at one of the tracks, essentially forcing racing officials to determine that he can race on the smaller tracks for junior riders next year.

Sam is not intimidated about racing on the larger racetracks with older, more experienced racers.

"I want to go race with the bigger kids because they go faster and there's more jumps," he said.

Jacob, a seventh grader at Grayling Middle School, races in the Big Trail series for 70 cc and 100 cc motorcycles.

Chris said she is pleased that her sons are following in their father's footsteps, but does get nervous with the higher speeds.

"On racing weekends, we leave at five in the morning and get home late at night, then we have to do it all over again the next day, but it's something we can all do together and the kids learn good sportsmanship," she said.

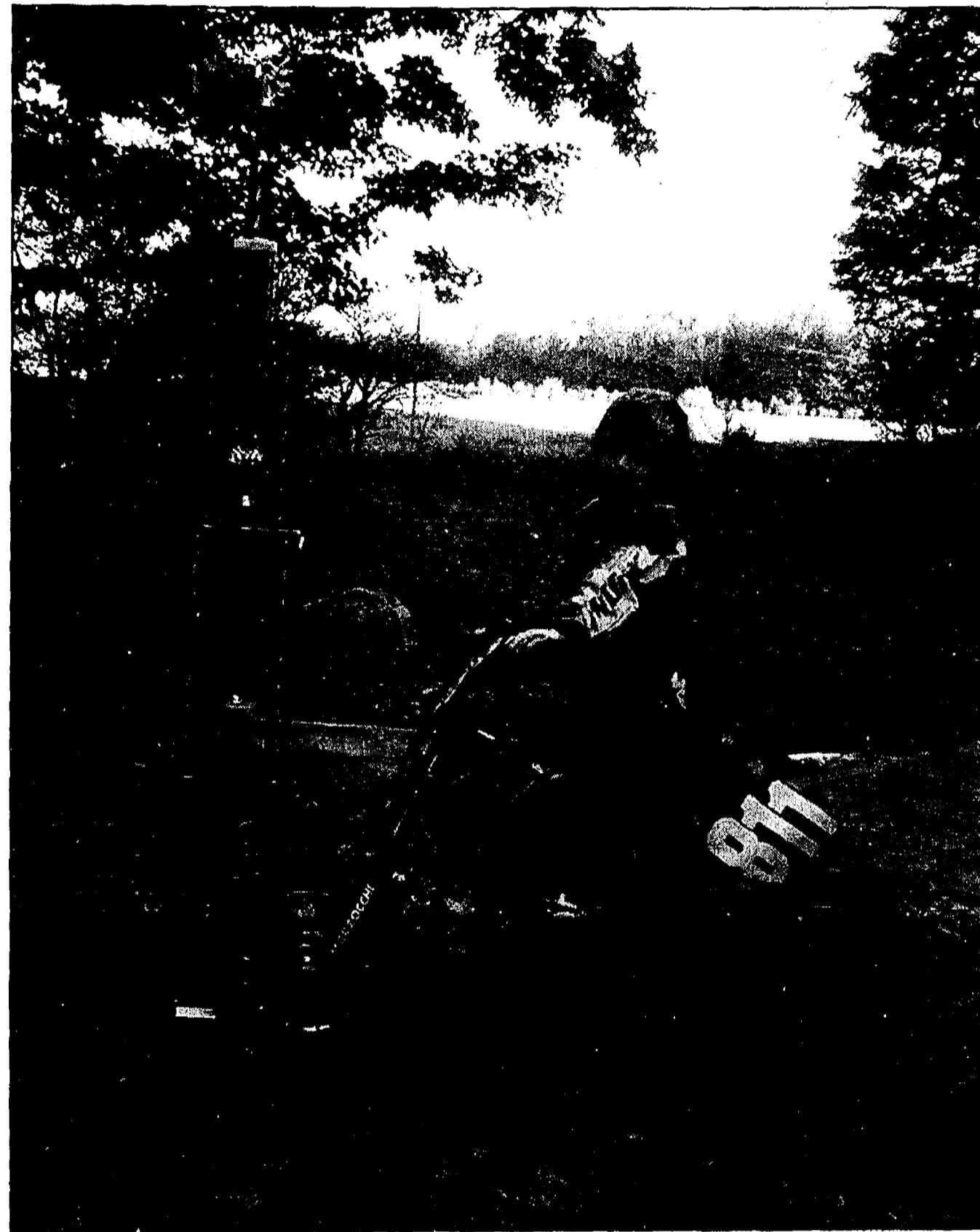


Photo by Dan Sanderson  
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## Mercy Hospital Grayling receives Governor's Award

Mercy Hospital Grayling has received the 2005 Governor's Award of Excellence for improving care of patients with heart attacks and surgical infection prevention in the hospital setting, and for improving care of pneumonia patients in the Emergency Department setting.

All Munson Healthcare system hospitals also received similar recognition. It is the third year in a row Mercy Hospital Grayling has received a Governor's Award.

"We again are pleased that the efforts toward quality by our staff and physicians have gained recognition," said Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak, CEO of Mercy Hospital Grayling. "This award reflects the ongoing commitment to our mission to provide the very best care for patients."

The award is issued by Gov. Jennifer Granholm's office and MPRO, a health care quality improvements and safety organization with extensive experience in Medicare and Medicaid programs, managed care operations, research methodologies and data analysis.

Hospital officials attended the award ceremony at Soaring Eagle Resort and Casino. The clinical topics measured for the award have been designated as national health care priorities by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. In concert with Granholm, the Governor's Award of Excellence honors Michigan hospitals that are performing quality initiatives aimed at improving patient care.

In addition to Mercy Hospital Grayling, Munson Healthcare

system hospitals receiving Governor's Awards are Kalkaska Memorial Health Center, Munson Medical Center, Paul Oliver Memorial Hospital in Frankfort, Mercy Hospital Cadillac, and West Shore Medical Center in Manistee.

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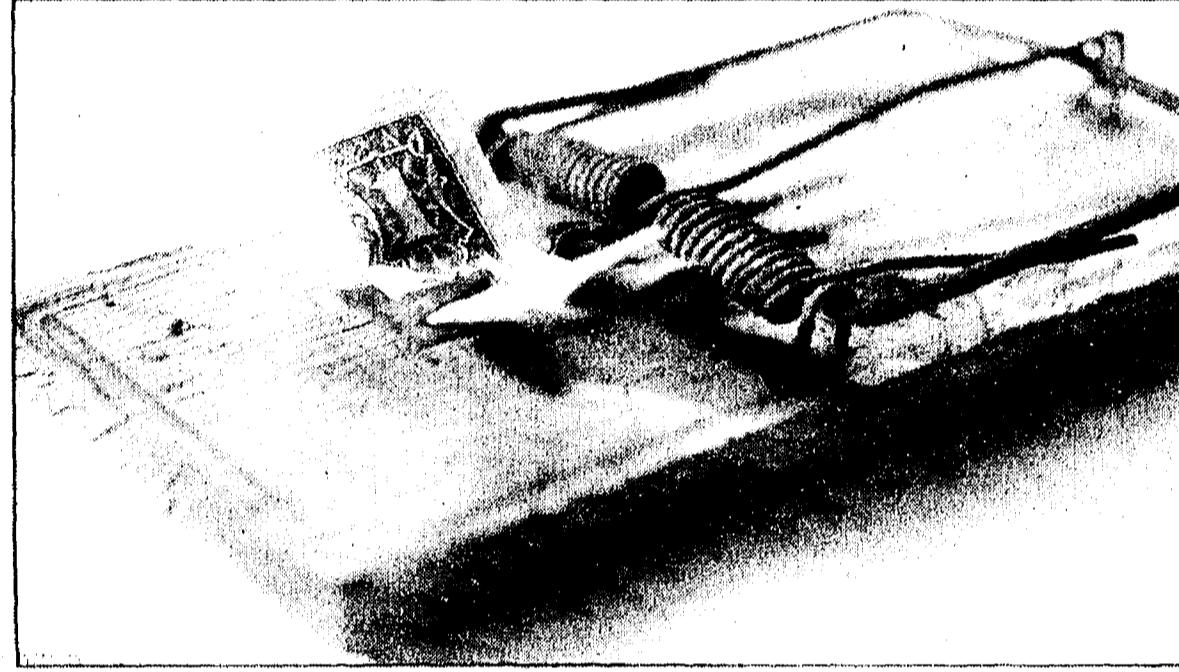
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The Crawford County Historical Society, in conjunction with the Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, had another successful Grayling Train Excursion weekend on Saturday and Sunday. Above, Aaron Seraphinoff, 6, of Troy, checks out a 1928 Ford Model A, which was on display in the Grayling Train Excursion weekend car show. Above, Alitia Brasseur, 3, and Brenden Brasseur, 4, from Cheboygan, enjoyed some snacks and beverages served by community organizations. The youngsters, the great grandchildren of Margaret Fondaw, were in town to welcome the train while they were out viewing the fall colors in the region. Left, Dalton Peterson, 8, and Vicki Thompson of Grayling purchased some post cards with a special stamp designed for the Grayling Train Excursion weekend from Jackie Cass, the acting post master for the Grayling Post Office, and Dave Hoecherl, a post office clerk.

## GPA dinner show to feature Missing Lynx

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will be presenting a dinner show with Missing Lynx, at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Thursday, Oct. 19.

This West Michigan based duo, consisting of Jay Round and Tom DeVries, has built a solid following throughout the Midwest with their amazing musical diversity, instrumentation, vocal harmonies, and crowd rapport. Their set lists contain a wide variety of musical styles from the grassroots traditional, country and bluegrass to swing, top hits from the 1960's to the present, and original material.

While the Missing Lynx formed in 1999, Round and DeVries have quite a history, both collectively and individually. Round was born into a musical family and learned to play several instruments at an early age. Today he concentrates mostly on guitar, upright bass, hammered dulcimer, and vocals.

DeVries is also a multi-talented vocalist and instrumentalist, playing guitar, mandolin, and harmonica.

Missing Lynx has performed opening shows for nationally known acts such as the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band among others. The duo has also appeared on several local and nationally syndicated radio and television programs.

A limited amount of tickets for this dinner show are still available, for \$30, at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, while supplies last. Dinner buffet includes BBQ ribs, sliced Angus beef and grilled chicken. A cash bar will be available.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with



Missing Lynx will be performing at the Grayling Promotional Association Entertainment Series dinner show, at the Grayling Holiday Inn, on Oct. 19.

dinner served at 6:30 p.m., in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn. The performance will follow dessert.

For more information on this performance or a schedule for the upcoming series call the Grayling Regional Chamber of

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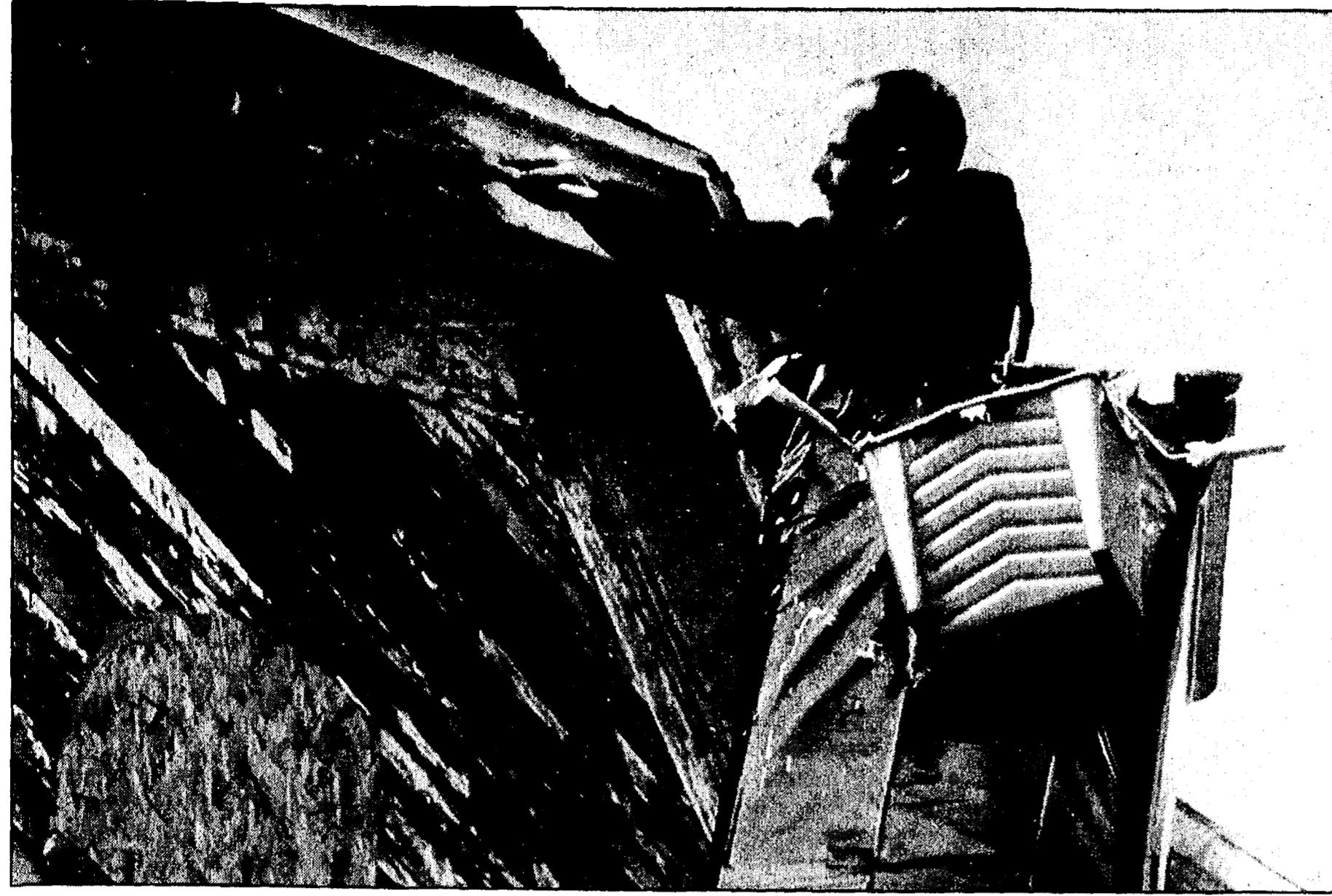
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Work crews from 11-10 Custom Design, a Roscommon-based construction firm which specializes in restoration and remodeling work, will finish painting the exterior of the fish hatchery building this week.

## Fish hatchery gets new coat of paint

by Dan Sanderson

Staff Writer

In an effort to get more bang for the buck, the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee gave the fish hatchery a new coat of paint with funds left over from a federal grant.

Work crews from 11-10 Custom Design, a Roscommon-based construction firm which specializes in restoration and remodeling work, will finish painting the exterior of the fish hatchery building this week.

In June, the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee was awarded a \$30,000 grant to replace the roof on the hatchery building, from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

Funds left over from the grant were used to pay to paint the fish hatchery building, and may be used for a few other small restoration projects.

Bruce Patrick, chairman of the Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee, said the the building is in impeccable shape since cedar lumber was used on the exterior of the build-

ing.

"It's been an amazing summer and we have made some significant progress," Patrick said.

The paint will help preserve the exterior of the building from further deterioration.

The hatchery committee hopes to establish a nature museum in the building.

The committee hopes the enhanced outside appearance of the building will help with future fund raising efforts.

Art Levitan, the owner of 11-10 Custom Design, said he is honored to be part of the restoration efforts.

"Anything we can do to preserve our past is important so we know our history and where we came from," Levitan said.

In 1914, Grayling lumber baron Rasmus Hanson purchased land on the AuSable River, collected donations from friends and local fishermen and established the private hatchery where they hoped to raise grayling from eggs and release them into the wild.

Hanson and his friends failed

to save the native fish, whose habitat was destroyed by floating logs down the river to local lumber mills, but their work with brook and brown trout succeeded.

The initial fish hatchery building was built in 1919. The current fish hatchery building was built in 1948.

Grayling residents banded together in the early 1980s and received permission from the state to open the hatchery after it had been closed for several years.

The Grayling Fish Hatchery Steering Committee completed a project to restore the fish hatchery grounds with a \$464,000 Department of Natural Resources grant in 2003.

Patrick said he hopes the progress the fish hatchery steering committee is making on the building will encourage voters to support the Nov. 7 general election proposal for historical preservation.

Patrick said the pool of funds, which would be administered by county officials, would be

able to be leveraged against potential grants.

"You can get more bang for the buck and you don't have to find some other way to raise the funds," Patrick said.

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The courts, like other branches of government, must be fiscally responsible to the citizens that elect our judges. The Court should never have sued the citizens of Kalkaska and Crawford county over enhanced employee benefits that the counties could not afford. This lawsuit will now cost the citizens of the Crawford, Kalkaska and Otsego approximately 2 million dollars in attorney fees, which will come directly from the taxpayers. At the same time, our counties are facing decreasing revenue and have had to cut their budgets. We need a change in our courts and Daniel J. Bebble will work hard to keep our courts fiscally responsible.

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## Teachers contract approved

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and school calendar concerns. Now, the district faces contract negotiations with the union representing the district's bus drivers. Powers said the contact with the transportation union has not been finalized due to scheduling negotiation meetings with the bus drivers. Powers said contract talks with the bus drivers should be wrapped up in a couple of weeks.

The school district's enrollment, which was at 1,979 students in the fall of 2005 was at 1,942 students before school ended in June. Enrollment is expected to go as low as 1,919 students for the current school year. The drop means the district will not receive \$500,000 from the state. The district has not received \$3.3 million from the state over the last four years due to the drop in student numbers.

## Fire Department receives grant to buy equipment

The Grayling City/Township Fire Department received a grant from the Department of Homeland Security to purchase equipment.

The fire department received a \$38,099 grant through the Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP). The funding will be used to support fire department operations and purchase equipment for firefighter safety.

U.S. Senators Carl Levin (D-MI) and Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) said that 20 Michigan fire departments and municipalities were awarded about \$2.7 million through the AFGP for the 2006 fiscal year.

"This federal funding is critical for the safety of communities across Michigan," Levin said. "Firefighters and first responders

play an important and courageous role in protecting our homes and families, and we owe it to them to provide the funding and the resources they need."

"Michigan's firefighters work tirelessly to protect our communities and our families," Stabenow added. "These grants will help ensure the fire departments across the state have the equipment and training they need."

The AFGP awards grants directly to fire departments and EMS organizations to improve the effectiveness of the firefighting operations, enhance firefighter health and safety programs and to establish or expand fire prevention programs throughout the United States. Grants are awarded competitively through an application process.

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## Third graders support museum's efforts

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weekend, which is on sale at the museum.

Shae-lin Kraycs and Ally Robson, students in Canfield's class, hatched a plan to sell cookies during a recent weekend sleepover. They hit the neighborhood with the cookies in a wagon, and brought back \$39 for the museum.

"Everybody loves no-baked cookies, and we don't want to see the museum have to close," Kraycs said.

The Grayling Youth Booster Club paid for the museum visit. It was the first visit to the facility for some of the students, who encouraged their families and friends to take the tour.

"They just thought that we need to do a better job getting

people in there because it's really nice," Canfield said. "They just took off with the idea to raise funds for the museum and these kids are amazing because they always come up with a way to make it work."

Brunskill said the students are an empathetic bunch.

"They think larger than themselves and the history means something to them," Brunskill said. "They're finding small ways to make a big difference."

In addition to raising funds for the museum, the students are also lobbying their parents to back the historical preservation millage on the Nov. 7 general election ballot.

Some students have also penned letters to the editor for the *Crawford County Avalanche*, encouraging a yes vote for the tax levy.

Kay Cosgray, chairwoman of the Crawford County Historical Society, said the museum officials were tickled to see the students back their efforts. The historical society recently approved its first junior board member, Majerle Nielson, 11, a seventh grader at the Grayling Middle School.

"We would like to get a second generation to take over the museum, and this is a good start," Cosgray said. "We're ecstatic that they want to help."

The third graders are set to return to the museum in the spring. Groups of students will be charged with learning about the various sections of the museum, and will then serve as tour guides for fellow students.

"What better place to learn about history than right here at the museum," said Bill Nielson, a longtime volunteer for the museum and the Grayling Elementary school who is pursuing his teaching degree.

## Filley to compete in Miss Michigan Teen USA

Fawn Filley, of Grayling, will compete for the title of Miss Michigan Teen USA this coming weekend, Oct. 19-21. The competition will be held at the McMorran Place Theater in the host city of Port Huron.

Filley is the daughter of Richard and Crystal Filley and is a student at Grayling High School.

Fawn was the Ambassador for Grayling High School and attended the Hugh O'Brien Leadership Conference at Alma College.

She likes participating in school musicals and plays.

She has been in band for four years, and student senate. She likes to help every year with the Weyerhaeuser AuSable Canoe Marathon. Her hobbies include weekly dance lessons, snowboarding and making jewelry for her friends.

Tickets are available through the McMorran Place Theater box office 810-985-6166 or through ticket master.

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## Local bicyclists compete in Special Olympics

On Sept. 23, the roads around the Army Airfield in Grayling were turned into a race track as the 2nd Annual Northern Michigan Special Olympics Bicycling Championships were held. The race is one of only two bicycle races held in the state by Special Olympics. The other event is the State Championships which will be held on Oct. 14, on the grounds of the GM Tech Center in Warren.

The Grayling race was sponsored by Area 4 Special Olympics and was attended by 30 racers. The competitors came from Manistee, Alpena, Bay City, and Midland. Local Area 4 athletes came from Grayling and Roscommon.

Grayling resident, Brock Prater, finished second in the 5 kilometer time trial. In the 5 km road race he did not finish due to a broken chain. Fellow Grayling Olympian, Chris Wylie captured a third place finish in the 5 km time trials and finished second in his 5 km



Brock Prater, of Grayling, competing during the 5 kilometer time trial at Grayling Army Airfield finished in 2nd place.

road race heat.

This is the second year that the Michigan National Guard

has allowed the event to be held at their facility and the second year that Mobile Medical

Response of Grayling has provided medical coverage.

## Local squad takes part in soccer Special Olympics

The Northland Huskies A&B soccer teams traveled to Caledonia on Sept. 30 to compete in the Kent County Special Olympics Soccer Invitational.

The "B" squad took the championship in Division 4 with victories over Newago and Kentwood. The local squad saw the opposition score first in each game before they came back to take a 5 - 1 win over Newago and a 6 - 1 win over Kentwood.

Grayling Special Olympian, Maggie Todoroff, played a strong game at her defensive position and scored a goal in the

Newago game.

Another Grayling athlete, Desi Feltner also helped anchor the strong defensive effort. The victories put the "B" team record at 6 wins and 1 loss.

The Huskies "A" squad competed in Division 1 of the event and fell to a strong Wyoming team 5 - 0. The game was played in a pouring rain and very muddy field conditions. The loss sent the "A" squad to the consolation round to face Bay City. The Bay City team had already defeated the locals twice this season.

In this game the Huskies start-

ed out strong on the soggy surface and went on to an easy 7 - 0 win. Kris Brown, Grayling, scored his first goal of the season in the win. The split of games put the "A" teams season mark at 3 wins and 3 losses.

Both of the local squads, who are made up of players from Crawford, Roscommon, and Ogemaw counties have games remaining with Saginaw, Midland and Bay City. They will compete at the state tournament in Warren on Oct. 13 and 14. The local squads are sponsored by Area 4 Special Olympics.

and a 3.3 cumulative GPA.

Among the students honored were; Andrea Comer, Brigid K. Deleo, and Rachael C. Evon, all of Grayling; and Matthew D. Gubancsik of Roscommon.

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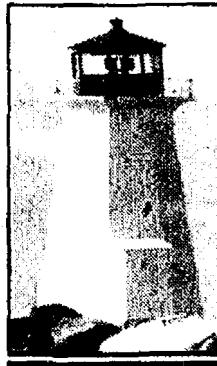
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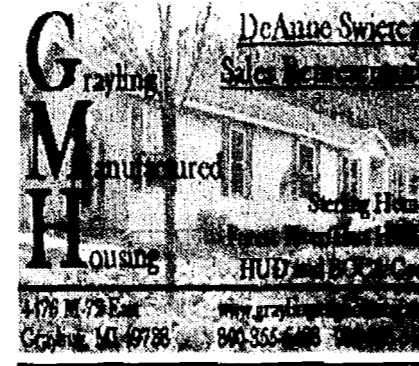
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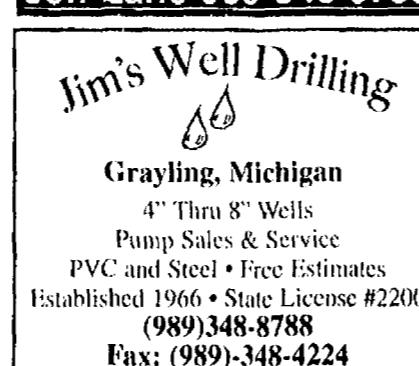
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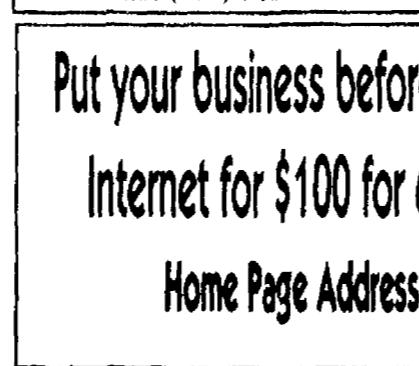
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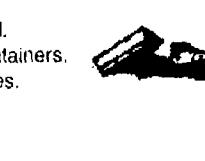
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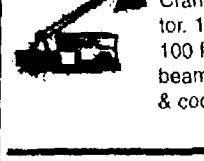
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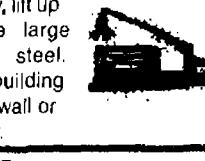
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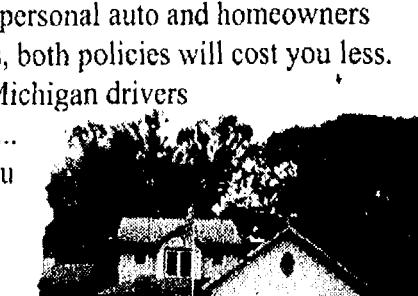
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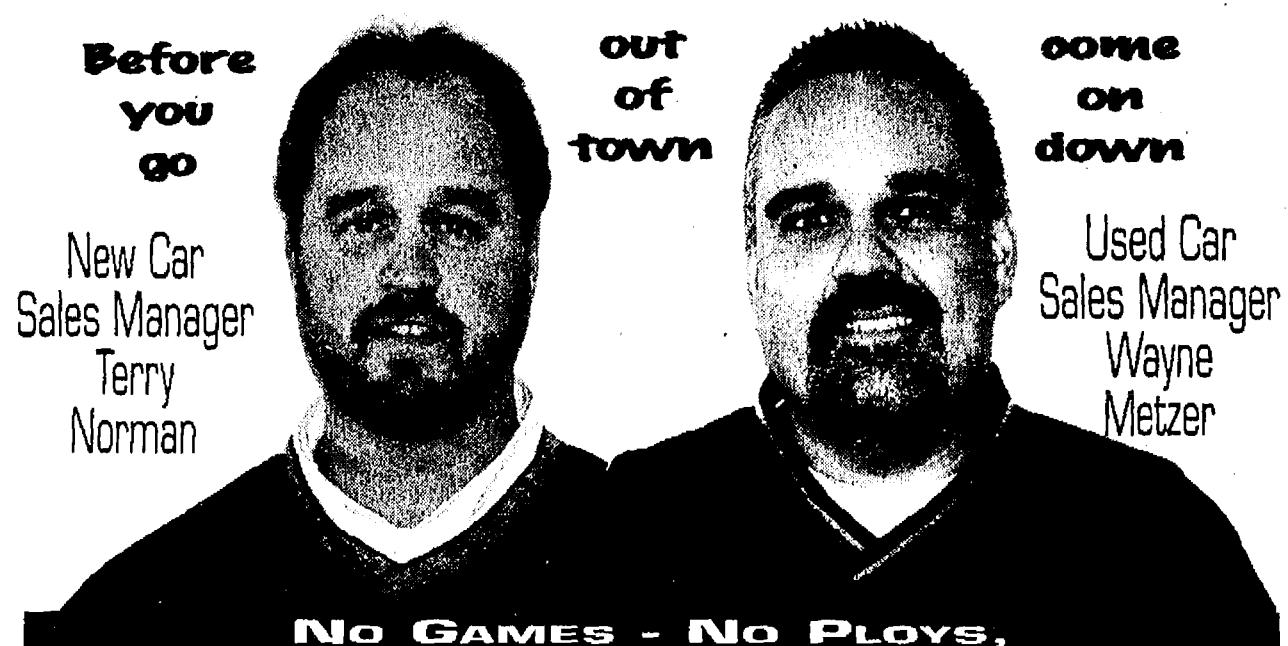
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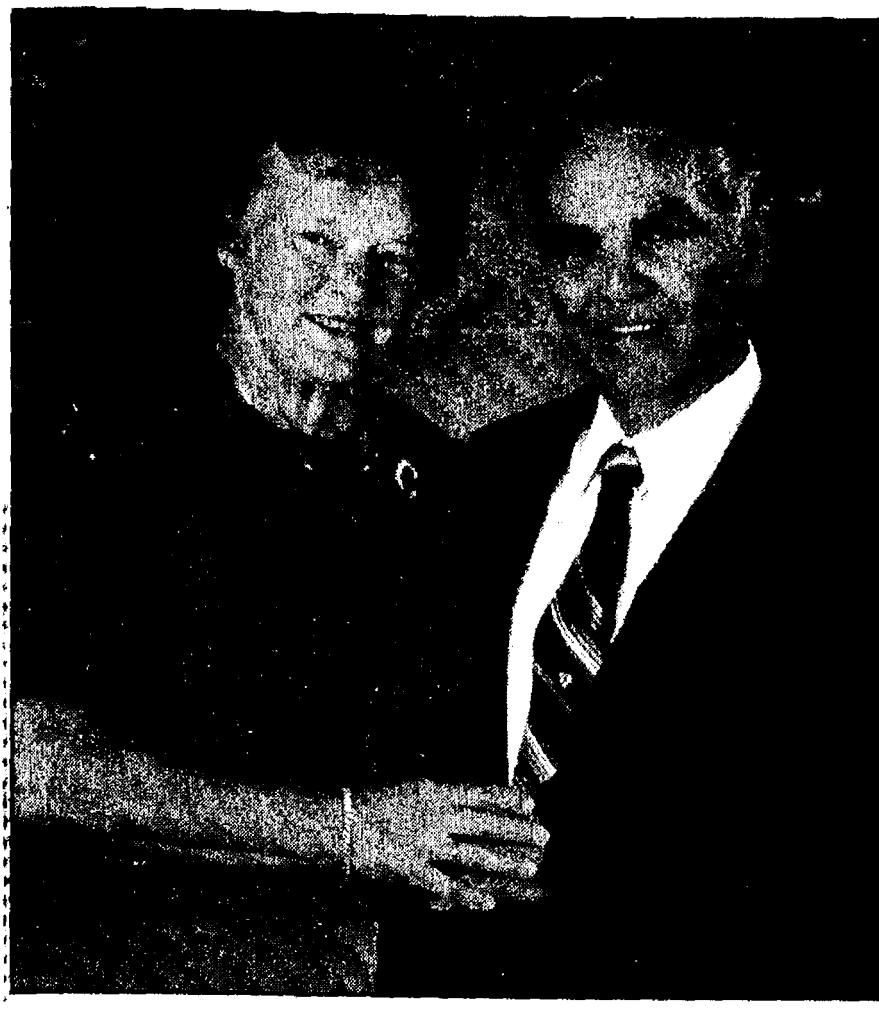
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Their children and grandchildren are: Allen Pratt and children

Elizabeth and Ashley; Bryan (Shannon) Pratt and children Kathryn, Christopher and Melissa; Ron (Mary Yuhasz) Pratt and children Jon and Megan; and Lisa (Paul) Bach and children Allison, Rachael and Chelsea.

They now live in Gladwin during the summer and in Lake Placid, Fla. during the winter.

## 87TH DISTRICT COURT

### Sentencings for September 2006

#### Hon. Janet M. Allen

Gerald Robert Brown, age 65 of Grayling - Sentenced on September 18, 2006 for embezzlement/relationship trust more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000; ordered to pay \$1,075 in fines and \$19,146 in restitution; placed on probation for 731 days.

#### Hon. John G. Hunter

Kelly D Braley, age 41 of Ann Arbor - Sentenced on September 26, 2006 for operating while intoxicated and drove while unlicensed/license not valid; ordered to pay \$660 in fines or serve 60 days in jail; placed on probation for 91 days.

Eric Johann Jurkovich, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on September 12, 2006 for controlled substance possession of marijuana; ordered to pay \$590 in fines or serve 32 days in jail; placed on probation for 275 days.

Ray Lynn Davis, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on September 12, 2006 for use of controlled substance; ordered to pay \$775 in fines or serve 57 days in jail.

Jennifer Lynn Pomeroy, age 23 of St. Helen - Sentenced on September 26, 2006 for retail fraud third degree; ordered to pay \$255 in fines and \$14 in restitution or serve 26 days in jail.

Michelle Lee Laginess, age 34 of Roscommon - Sentenced on September 19, 2006 for license suspended/revoke allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to pay \$635 in fines or serve 63 days in jail; placed on probation for 122 days.

Timothy Shawn Umlor, age 19 of Grayling - Sentenced on September 12, 2006 for receiving and concealing stolen property \$200-\$1,000; sentenced to serve 30 days in jail with credit for 16 days served; ordered to pay \$645 in fines or serve 64 days in jail.

Eric Reed Manley, age 48 of Northville - Sentenced on September 19, 2006 for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$445 in fines or serve 44 days in jail.

Thomas Joseph Gardner, age 31 of Roscommon - Sentenced on September 19, 2006 for operating without security; ordered to pay \$350 in fines or serve 35 days in jail.

Randi Leigh Richardson, age 18 of Traverse City - Sentenced on September 27, 2006 for person under 21 purchase/consume/possess liquor; ordered to

## RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period of Oct. 12-18 is as follows:

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.) will be conducting live and inert bombing operations by the Air National Guard during Oct. 12-17.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Oct. 12-18.

ARF Range, located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd., east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Oct. 13-14.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Cadillac Rd., and on the east by Carrier Rd. Oct. 14 and 18.

Range 17, Hand Grenade Range, located south of the main post, north of Carrier Rd., east of range 13 and west of Beaver Creek (Military Rd.). Oct. 14-15.

Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd.,

and south of county Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Oct. 14.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Oct. 13-14, Bucks East - West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Bald Hill Truck Trail, Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to N. Down River Rd., Stephan Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd., and Wakeley Bridge Rd. from County Rd. 612 to N. Down River Rd.

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A lunch and bake sale will be part of the festivities. For more information call Tina at 231-564-1380 or by e-mail at KEPTA@kpschools.com.

**Houghton Lake** - Learn ways to lower your risk of dementia at a workshop presented by the Alzheimer's Association and the Roscommon County Commission on Aging. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 18, at 6 p.m., at the Houghton Lake Senior Center, 2625 Townline Rd. Pre-registration is required, call 1-800-272-3900 or (989) 356-4087. A registration fee of \$10 is payable at the door.

**Roscommon** - Trick or Treating will take place at Cindy Lou's Zoo, 6327 N. M-18, Roscommon on Oct. 21, noon to 5 p.m. Free games, prizes and admission for children age 14 and under. 50 percent of proceeds donated to Friends Helping Friends of Roscommon Co. For more information call (989) 275-4500.

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"We look forward to bringing home some hardware and with runners like SGT Whitcher we stand a very good chance of doing just that," according to Lombard.

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(ARA) — Automotive breakdowns, never convenient, can be dangerous in cold weather. Preventive maintenance can help lessen the odds of mechanical failure. Use the following checklist from the non-profit National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence as a guide.

- Read your owner's manual and follow the manufacturer's recommended service schedules. There are usually two schedules listed: normal and severe.

- Have engine problems

(hard starts, rough idling, stalling, diminished power, etc.) corrected now, since cold weather will make existing problems worse.

- Change your oil and oil filter as specified in your manual. Have your auto technician check out the other filters: air, fuel, PCV,

- The cooling system (radiator) should be flushed and refilled as recommended. A professional should check the tightness and condition of all belts, clamps and hoses.

- The heater and defroster must be in good working condition to prevent windows from fogging or icing.

- The only accurate way to detect a weak battery is with professional equipment. But do-it-yourselfers can perform routine maintenance. Scrape away corrosion from posts and cable connections; clean all surfaces; re-tighten

all connections. Wear eye protection and rubber gloves.

- Replace worn wiper blades. If your climate is harsh, consider getting rubber-clad (winter) blades to fight ice build-up.

- An auto technician should examine the exhaust system for leaks and inspect the trunk and floorboards for small holes. Exhaust fumes can be deadly.

- Worn tires will be of little use in winter weather. Examine tires for remaining tread life, uneven wearing, and cupping; check the sidewalls for cuts and nicks.

- Check tire pressure once a month. Let the tires "cool down" before checking the pressure. Rotate as recommended. Don't forget your spare, and be sure the jack is in good condition.

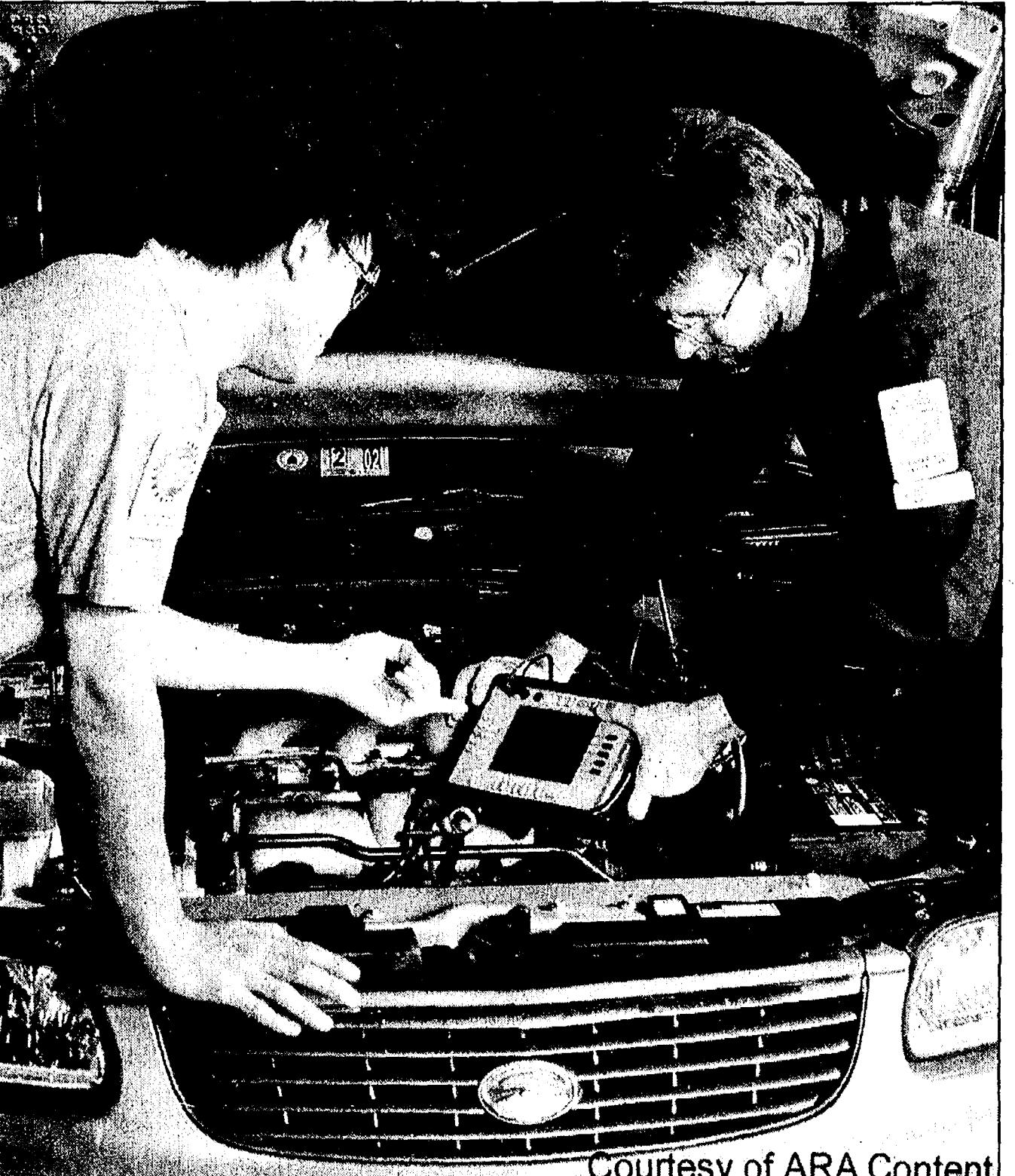
A well-maintained vehicle is safer in winter's harsh conditions and gets better

gas mileage and will last longer than a car that's been neglected. Visit [www.ase.com](http://www.ase.com) for more car care tips and vehicle maintenance information.

The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) was founded in 1972 as a non-profit, independent organization dedicated to improving the quality of automotive service and repair through the voluntary testing and certification of automotive professionals.

ASE-certified technicians wear blue and white ASE shoulder insignia and carry credentials listing their exact area(s) of certification, while their employers often display the blue and white ASE sign. They can be found at all types of repair facilities from dealerships to independent garages and franchises.

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## Car Washing 101

(NewsUSA) - Cleaning a car is a piece of cake, right?

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Research shows that 52 percent of American car owners wash their cars less than once a month, with 15 percent never washing their cars. An estimated 37 million cars smell because of interior garbage, according to a consumer survey conducted by the International Carwash Association.

To get started, you must have the right supplies for the job:

- finish-safe wheel cleaner;
- a soft brush;
- a 3- to 5-gallon bucket;
- liquid car-washing detergent;
- a hose with pistol-grip

nozzle, if possible;

- car-washing mitts or soft all-cotton towels;
- several all-cotton towels or synthetic chamois for drying.

Give the car a good rinsing from top to bottom, including the wheels and inside the fenders. Always clean the tires and wheels before washing the body, and don't use the same mitt for both. This way you'll avoid contaminating the vehicle's paint with debris from the wheels and tires.

Use a good tire cleaner with a stiff brush to improve the appearance of your tires. Next, clean the wheels with a wheel cleaner that removes the brake dust, which often blackens the front wheels.

To wash the body, use a product sold specifically for automobiles; household cleaners can strip the wax

from the paint and damage the finish. Starting at the top, wash one section at a time, thoroughly rinsing away the soap before moving on to the next section.

Work your way down toward the front, sides and rear of the vehicle.

To rinse, start at the top, and let the water cascade down the surfaces of the vehicle. To avoid water spotting, dry with a chamois or similar product.

Then follow up by waxing, which not only protects the finish but also makes subsequent washing easier. Before proceeding, use a car cleaner to remove contaminants embedded in the paint.

Once the surface is clean, apply the wax, following the manufacturer's instructions.

The Car Care Council is the source of information

for the "Be Car Care Aware" consumer education campaign promoting the benefits of regular vehicle care, maintenance and repair to consumers.

For more information, visit [www.carcare.org](http://www.carcare.org).

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(NewsUSA) - Does the cost of gas have you fuming at the pump? If carpooling and public transportation are not the answers for you, you'll be happy to know there are ways to improve your fuel economy no matter what type of car you are driving.

Here are some good habits to practice for better gas mileage, from [XenTx.com](http://XenTx.com):

• Drive safely. Aggressive driving wastes gas fast. Hard braking or jackrabbit takeoffs can waste gas and curb mileage by as much as 33 percent at highway speeds, according to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

• Slow down. The faster you drive, the more gas you waste and the more money you lose at the pump. Each mile per hour you drive over 60 is like paying an extra 10 cents per gallon, according to DOE.

• Keep it covered. Your gas cap, that is. About 17 percent of cars have missing or damaged gas caps, causing 147 million gallons

of gas to vaporize every year.

• Replace your air filter. A clogged air filter chokes off the air and causes too much gas to be burned for the amount of air. This wastes gas and causes your engine to lose power. Replacing a clogged air filter can improve gas mileage by as much as 10 percent.

• Shed the pounds. Using a loaded roof rack or trunk increases fuel consumption. Remove all unnecessary weight.

• Treat your engine right. Using a synthetic engine treatment is a great way to get better gas mileage. A synthetic engine treatment in your vehicle will reduce friction. Lower friction means your engine can produce more power with less effort. It has also shown to increase horsepower and torque and extend the life of your oil changes.

• Maintain good tire pressure. Driving with tires that aren't inflated properly can cost you a mile or two per gallon.

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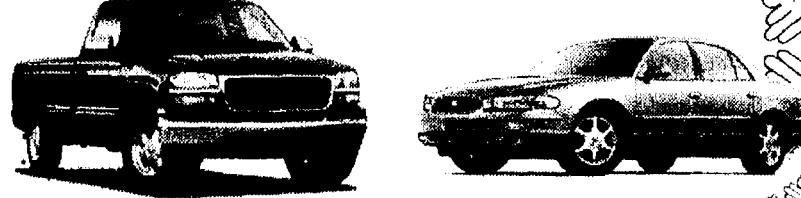
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## Winter is Coming, Get Your Car Ready

(ARA) — Right now the weather is warm and cool off and there will be pleasant, but before you

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Not only is now a good time to check your furnace and seal up the cracks around windows and doors, you should get your car ready for winter as well.

The colder months ahead can really take their toll on your vehicle, especially if you live up north or in the Midwest. A few simple preventative measures taken now will keep your car both working and looking good during the long, harsh winter ahead.

A good place to start is by checking your tires. You need to make sure the hot pavement you were driving on all summer long didn't wear the tread on your tires down. If it did, stopping on wet roads in the fall and winter will be difficult because your tires will tend to hydroplane.

To check the tread, all you need is a Lincoln penny. Insert Abe's head into the tread in a couple of spots on each tire. If you see the entire top of his head, your tread is less than one-sixteenth of an inch deep — below the level where you can count on it in slippery conditions. Time to replace your tires.

Since dirt ages a car and attacks paintwork, now is

also a good time to get your vehicle washed and waxed. As a rule of thumb, it's a good idea to wash your car or truck every week or two, more often if you regularly drive through dirt.

Here are some other things the pros at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) recommend you take care of before winter arrives:

- Have a qualified auto technician check the condition of your battery and cables, plus the radiator, and all hoses and belts.

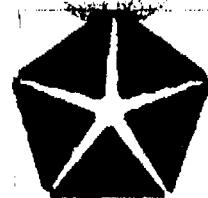
- The cooling system/radiator should be completely flushed and refilled as recommended. The level, condition and concentration of the coolant/antifreeze should be checked periodically. (Never remove the radiator cap until the engine has thoroughly cooled!)

- Make certain the heater and defroster are in good working condition; have the exhaust system examined for leaks, a potentially deadly condition in closed vehicles.

- Replace worn wiper blades and keep plenty of washer fluid on hand to fight road salt, grit and other grime.

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## Vikings fall to 5-2 with loss to Traverse City St. Francis

**■ Grayling suffers first conference defeat with a 48-27 loss to the Gladiators**

by Caleb Casey  
Senior Staff Writer

The Grayling Vikings fell to 5-2 with a 48-27 conference football loss to the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators last Friday at Grayling High School.

School.

The Gladiators scored the first points of the game with a three-play, 46-yard TD drive following a Grayling punt. Traverse City St. Francis finished the possession with a 39-yard touchdown run and added the extra point kick to lead 7-0.

Grayling started at its own 18-yard line. A run by Tim VanNuck gained 16 yards.

Three plays later, Grayling punted.

The Gladiators moved from their 31-yard line to the 42-yard line with two running plays. On 4th and 4 near midfield, TCSF went for it and Grayling's defense came up with a stop to take possession of the ball at the 49-yard line.

On the third play of the series, Grayling fumbled and

the Gladiators recovered the ball.

TCSF finished a five-play, 53-yard drive with a 19-yard touchdown run. With the extra point kick, Traverse City led 14-0.

The next two possessions – one by each team – ended with punts.

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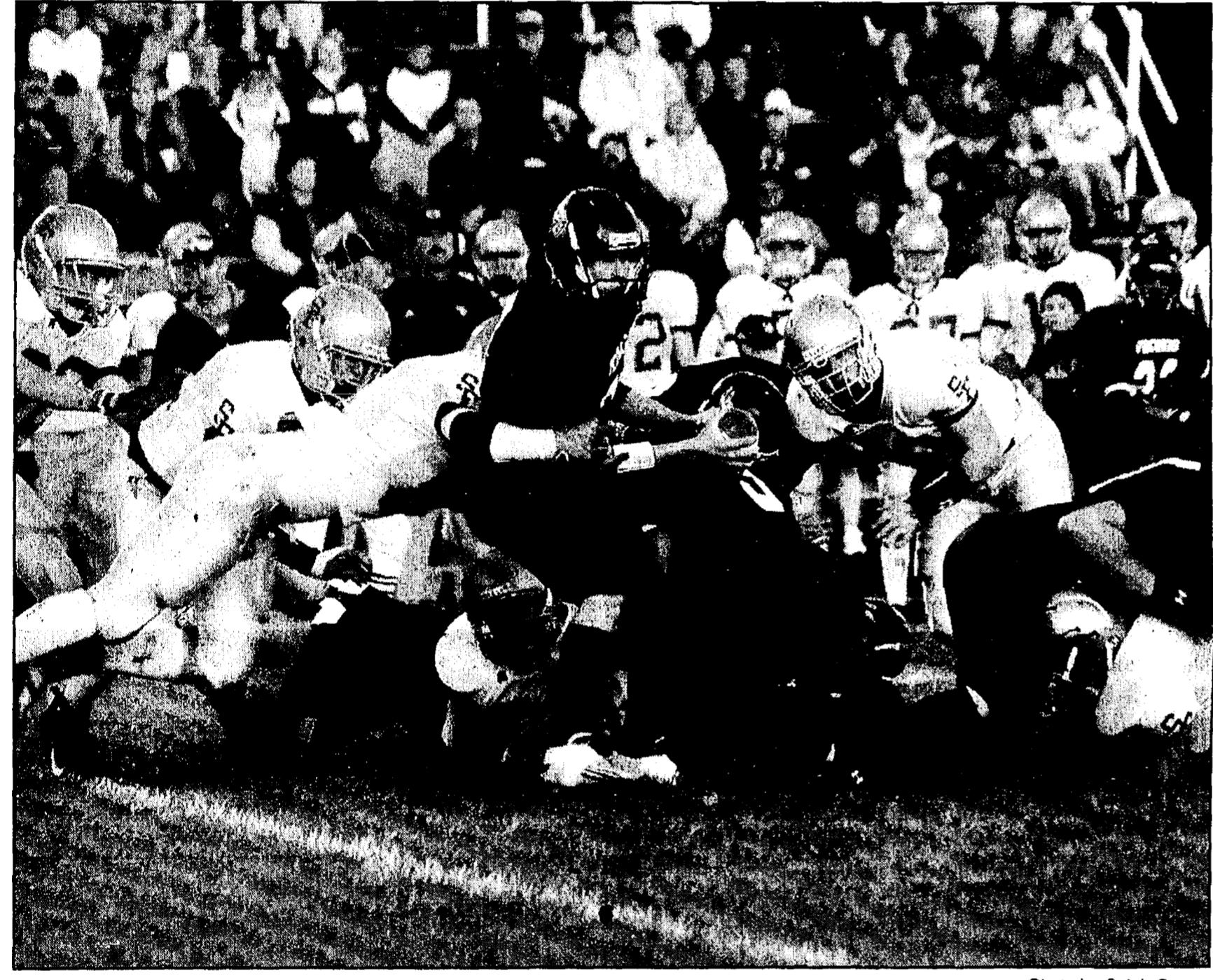


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Quarterback Jeff Bancroft runs with the ball for Grayling during last Friday's loss to the Gladiators of Traverse City St. Francis.

## Golf team qualifies for regional meet

**■ Vikings place fifth out of 13 teams at district meet to advance to regionals**

State University. Also making it to Regionals were Charlevoix, Roscommon, Elk Rapids, Manistee, and Kingsley," Coach Olson said.

On Sept. 26, the Vikings competed in a Lake Michigan Conference meet hosted by Elk Rapids at Antrim Dells.

Team scores included: Charlevoix 328, Traverse City St. Francis 329, Elk Rapids 330, Harbor Springs 336, Kalkaska 355, Grayling 368, Boyne City 392; East Jordan 399.

Individual scores for Grayling included: Trent Larm 83, Scot Olson 86, Taylor Desenfants 86, Rocky McNamara 86, Jason Wilson 90.

As a team, Grayling scored a 341 and placed fifth. The top six squads at districts move on to regionals.

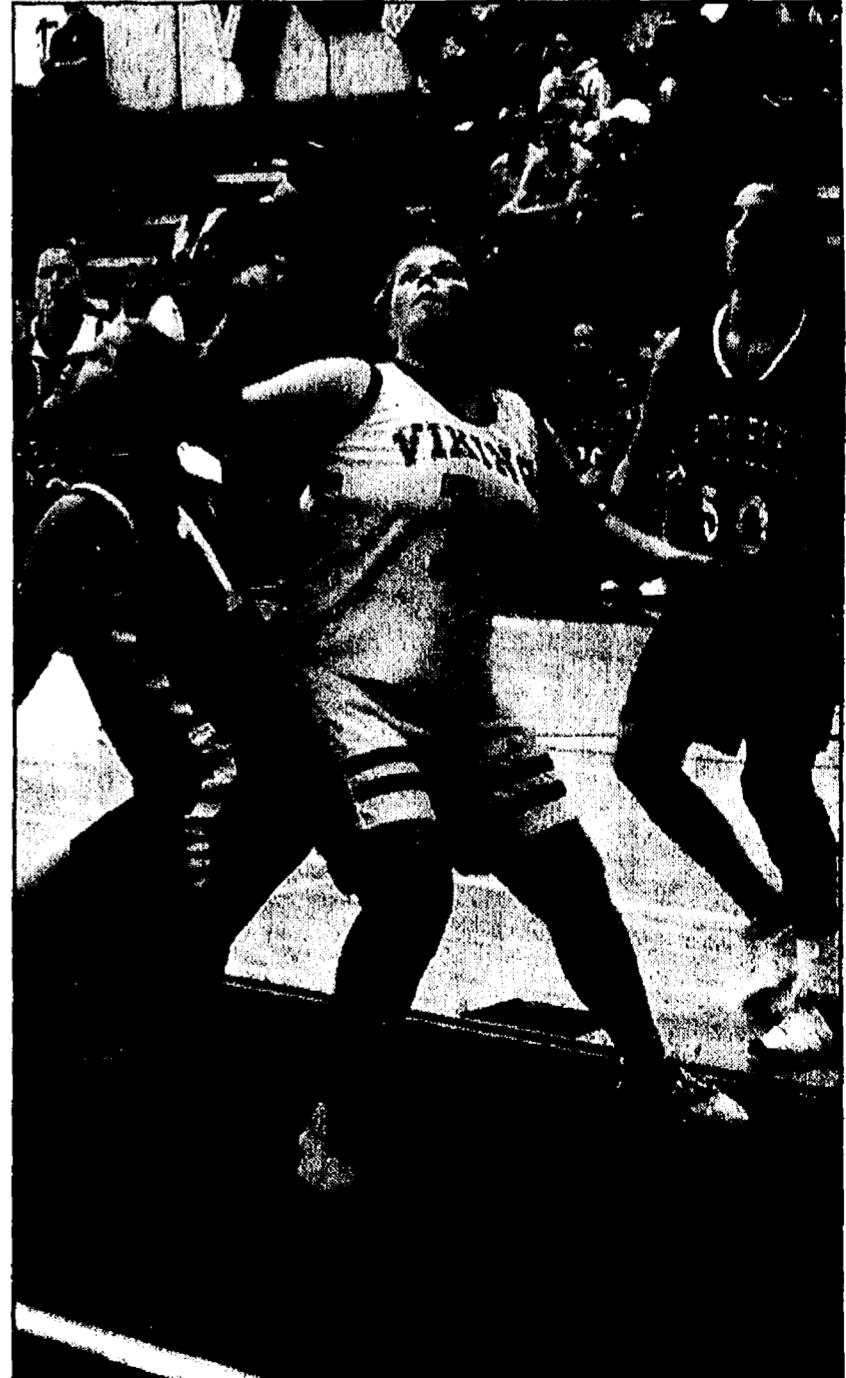
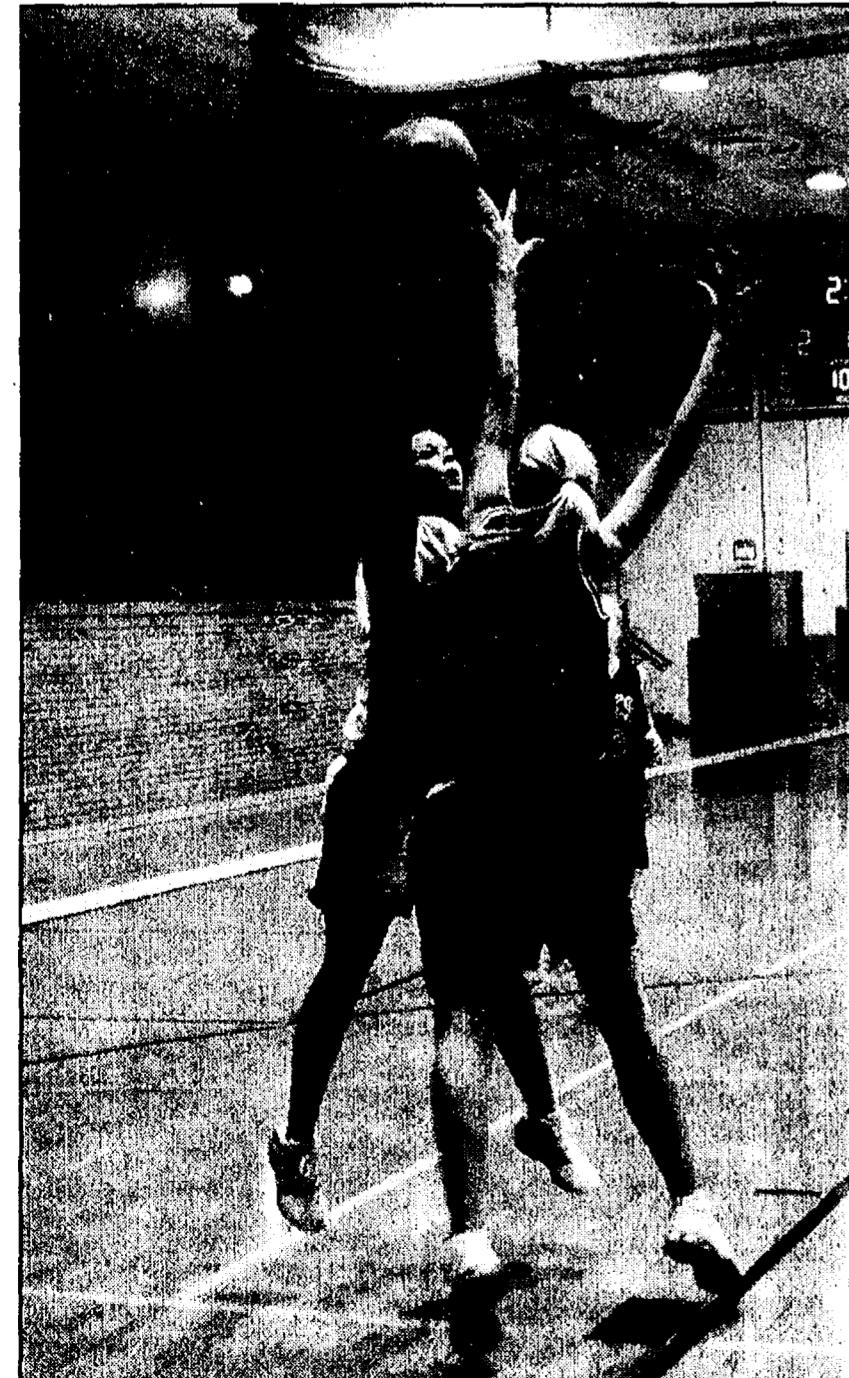
"Very eventful 24 hours for our team. We first learned that Manistee National, where the event was scheduled, had been hit hard by a storm and couldn't host the event. The pro at the resort told us that they may have lost 1,000 trees. Then we weren't sure if we could stay at the hotel as they were having storm-related water problems. But that seemed to be corrected by the time we needed to check in, although the morning proved that the problem still existed as our facility had no running water. But on the course the boys had their best day of the year. Almost all of them carded birdies. Jason Wilson putted for back to back eagles after reaching a par 4 with his tee shot. Trent Larm played very consistently all day to shoot our team's best at 83," Coach Herb Olson said.

On Sept. 29, Grayling took part in a 21-team Traverse City Central Invitational event at High Pointe.

Individual scores for the Vikings included: Wilson 83, McNamara 86, Desenfants 96, Olson 96, Hart 104.

"Great day for Jason Wilson, on a tough track, with an 83. Ludington won the event with a 313. Suttons Bay edged St Francis by 1 stroke shooting 324," Coach Olson said.

## Girls basketball teams host East Jordan, Elk Rapids



(Left) Ashley Feldhauser shoots the ball for Grayling High School's freshman girls basketball team during the squad's home game vs. Elk Rapids on Thursday at GMS. (Center) Samantha Schreiber looks for an open teammate during last Tuesday's JV game against East Jordan at Grayling High School. (Right) Tiffany Davis battles for position inside the key vs. Elk Rapids on Thursday night. For more on the three basketball teams, see Pages 2-3B.

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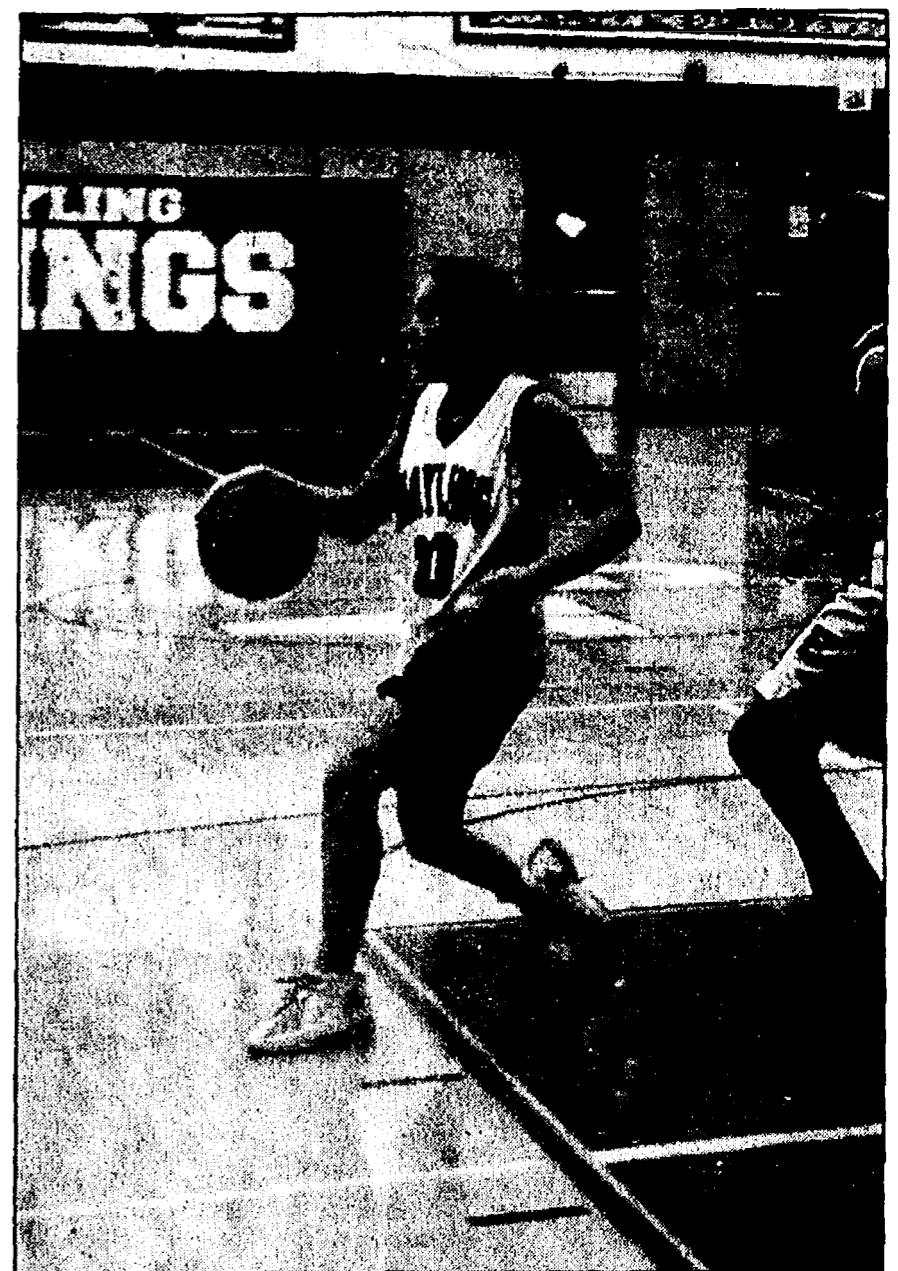
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Elizabeth Dandy (left) and Hailey McMahon (right) handle the ball for Grayling's JV girls basketball team vs. East Jordan on Tuesday.

## JV basketball team falls to Elks, Devils

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The Grayling High School junior varsity girls basketball team lost a pair of home games last week to East Jordan and Elk Rapids.

On Tuesday, Grayling lost to the East Jordan Red Devils 60-27 in a game that ended with a three on three battle.

With 1:35 left in the third quarter, Grayling's fourth player fouled out of the game, leaving the Vikings with only four players to finish the contest. East Jordan pulled one player and the teams played four vs. four until the 4:00 mark in the fourth period, when Grayling's fifth player fouled out. East Jordan pulled another player and the squads

played three vs. three for the final four minutes.

"This game was crazy," Coach Angie Dalak said. "We were in foul trouble early in the night and we never rebounded from that. Naomi Anglemeyer stepped up her game and scored 7 points. Jess Bindschatel scored 5, and Alyssa Lewis and Liz Dandy each scored 4 and had 6 boards."

"We hustled and played hard, which is what I asked of them, but we now need to combine that with some structure and discipline. Every player except for three fouled out by the beginning of the fourth quarter. East Jordan showed a ton of class by pulling a player every time another one of ours fouled out, ending the game in a three on three match. This was definitely a game that these girls will never forget," Coach Dalak said.

On Thursday, the Vikings fell to Elk Rapids 65-29 at GHS.

"It looked like it was going to be a pretty good match-up, but we did not come to play. Alyssa Lewis had 12 points, 6 boards, and 4 steals. Hannah Smith put up 6 points and 5 rebounds. Sam Schreiber scored 4 points and snagged 5 steals. Jess



Naomi Anglemeyer looks for an open Grayling teammate on Tuesday night.

Bindschatel scored 4 and pulled in 5 boards," Coach Dalak said.

"We are having our moments where we look great, but then we follow that up with some not so great moments. The girls are learning and are still improving. Our ball handlers are working on becoming more comfortable with handling pressure, which is a

huge part of how teams are breaking us down. We are starting to look down to the post more which is great because our bigs have been working on improving their down low skills and it is time to utilize them," Coach Dalak said.

The Vikings play at Traverse City St. Francis on Oct. 17.

## Shooting clinic to be held for 4th-8th graders

**■ Pat Miller Clinic to be held at Grayling Middle School on Monday, Oct. 23**

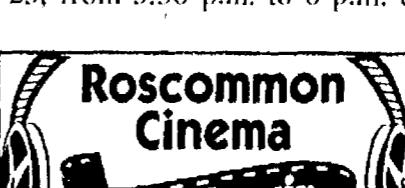
Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball coach Rich Moffit will present the nationally acclaimed Pat Miller U-Can-Shoot Clinic (for boys and girls in grades 4-8) on Monday, Oct. 23, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at

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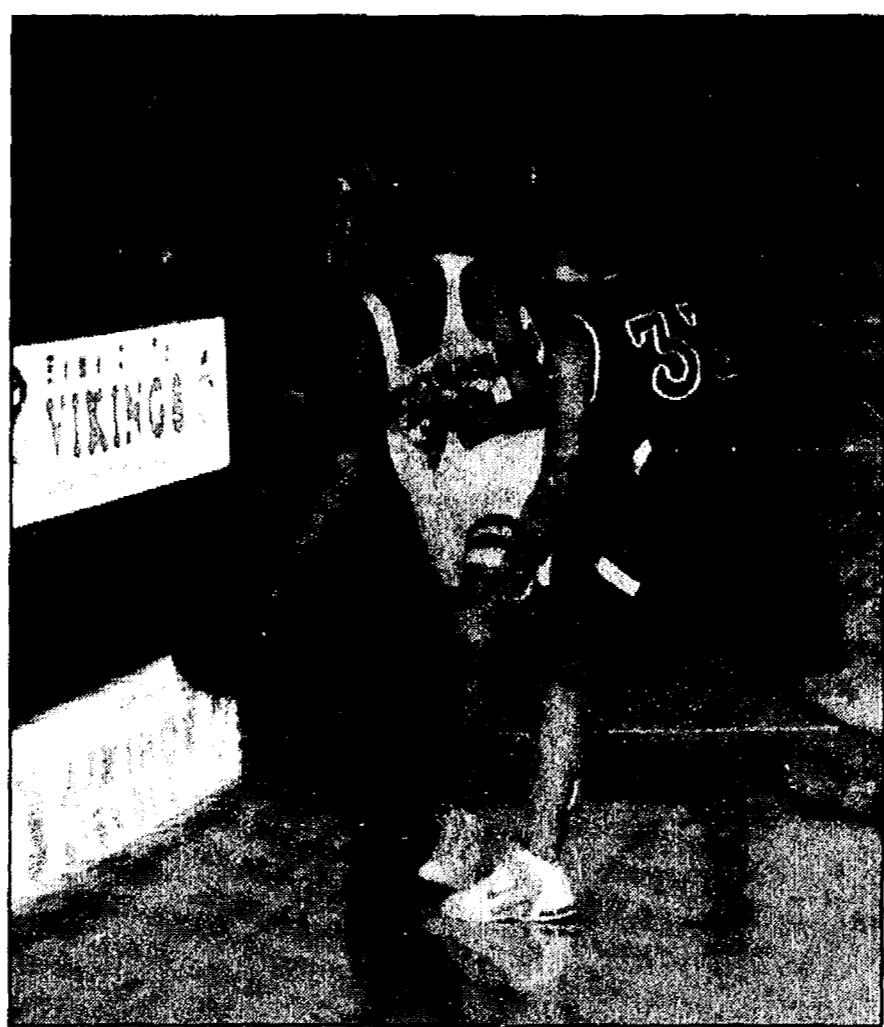
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Rachel Doremire (left) and Abby Wheeler (right) handle the ball for the Vikings during last Tuesday's game against the East Jordan Red Devils.

## Varsity squad loses two at home

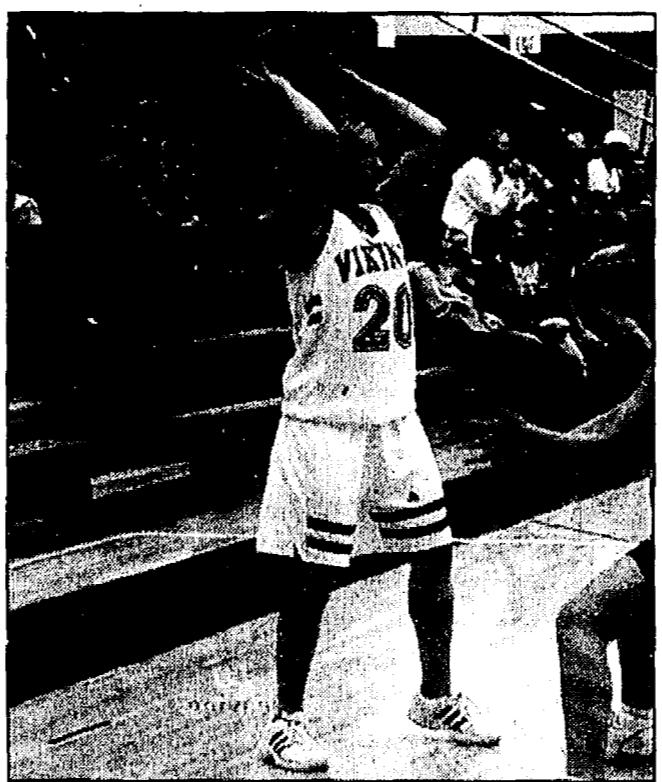
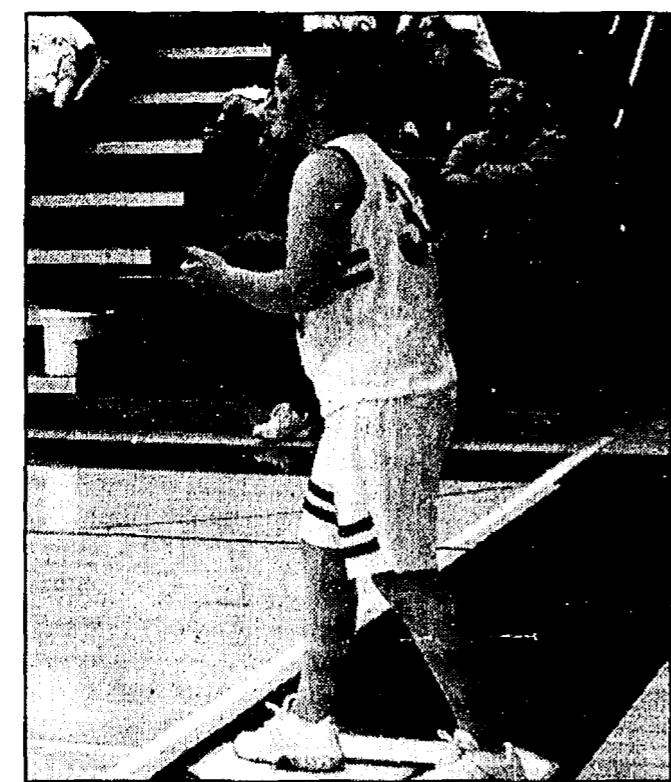
**Vikings fall to East Jordan and Elk Rapids in games played at GHS**

The GHS varsity girls basketball squad fell to the Elk Rapids Elks and East Jordan Red Devils in two home games last week.

On Thursday, the Vikings lost to Elk Rapids 59-44. The Elks led 13-12 after one quarter and 31-26 at halftime, then pulled away in the second half.

"This is a game we really wanted. We struggled to make shots around the perimeter against their zone. We got a ton of open looks, they just didn't fall. This team is growing week by week and improving daily. I like their attitude and desire to get better," Coach L.J. Mead said.

Leading scorers for Grayling included: Abby Wheeler, 13 points, 7 rebounds, 3 steals, 3 deflections; Ashley Bindschatel, 8 points, 7 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 steals; Laura Boylan, 8 points, 8 rebounds, 6 blocks; Monica Peters, 6 points, 6 rebounds, 2 assists, 5 deflections; Jessie Baker, 4 points, 6 rebounds; Annie Melroy, 2 points, 3



Ashley Bindschatel (left) and Annie Melroy (right) look for open teammates to pass to on Thursday vs. Elk Rapids.

rebounds, 3 assists, 2 steals; Audrey Alimenti, 2 points, 1 rebound, 1 assist.

The Vikings lost to East Jordan 61-28 on Tuesday night.

"The score does not tell the whole story. Our girls played very hard tonight. I am proud of their effort," Coach Mead said.

Grayling's leading scorers included: Boylan, 9 points, 8 rebounds, 4 blocks; Wheeler, 7

points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals; Melroy, 2 points, 5 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 deflections; Baker, 2 points, 4 rebounds; Bindschatel, 2 points, 2 rebounds, 3 assists; Rachel Doremire, 2 points, 2 rebounds; Nikki Dedafoe, 2 points; Gabby Calkins, 1 point, 4 rebounds.

The Vikings play at Traverse City St. Francis on Tuesday, Oct. 17.

## 9th graders fall to ER 30-29



(Left) Selina Anglemeyer controls the ball for Grayling during the 9th grade girls basketball team's contest vs. Elk Rapids on Thursday at GMS. (Right) Grace Calkins jumps for the ball during the game's tipoff. The Elks won the match by one point, 30-29.



Jessica Zarnick dribbles the ball for GHS.

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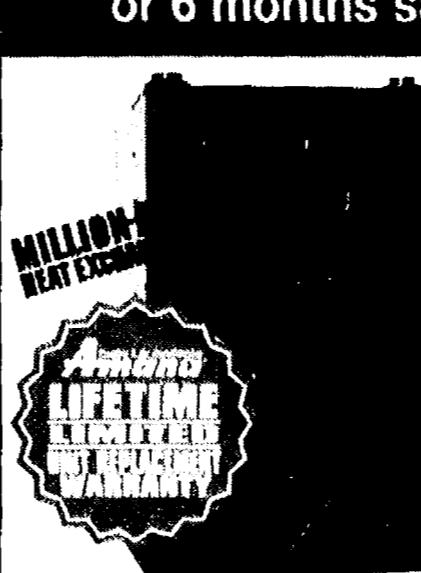
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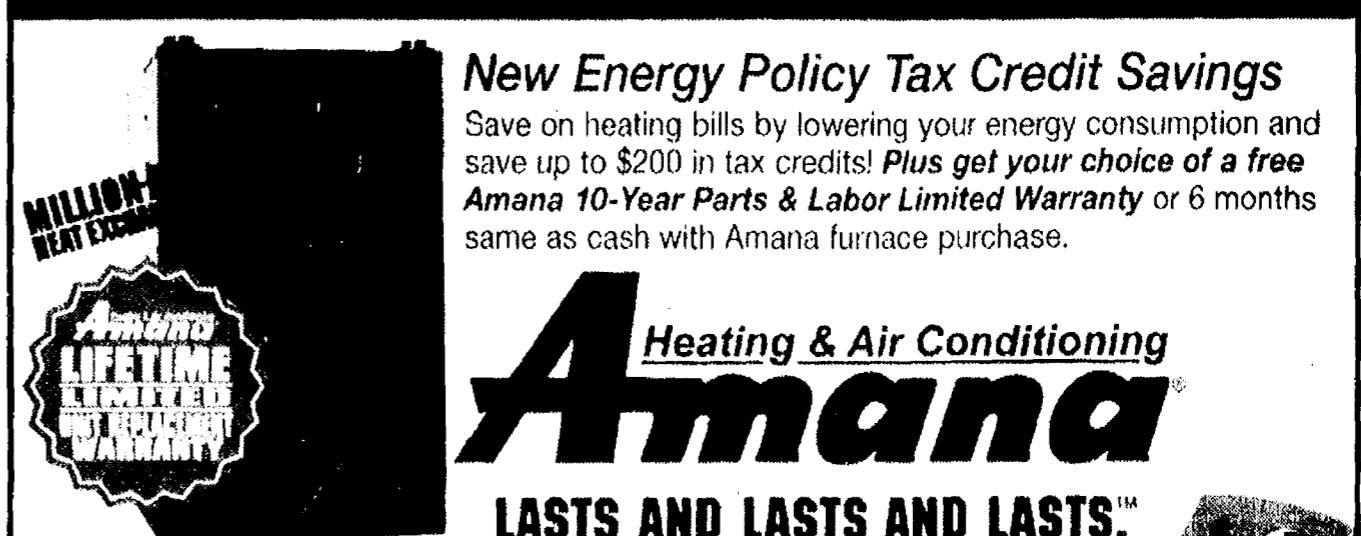
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(Left) Adam Gabriel runs with the ball after catching a pass during last Friday's home game against Traverse City St. Francis. (Right) The GHS varsity football squad runs through a "Viking Football" banner held by the cheerleading team prior to Friday night's game.

## Vikings fall to 5-2 with loss to Traverse City St. Francis

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Grayling, starting from its 45-yard line, picked up a first down with a 15-yard pass from quarterback Jeff Bancroft to Josh Stapleton. On 3rd and 8, GHS gained 13 yards on a pass from Bancroft to Adam Gabriel. On 2nd and 4, Bancroft passed to Isaac VanNuck, who dodged a defender and ran into the end zone for a 22-yard touchdown. Jason Drudge kicked the extra point and TCSF led 14-7.

The Gladiators answered with a five-play, 70-yard TD drive. The series included a 58-yard run and a 6-yard touchdown run. With the extra point, Traverse City St. Francis led 21-7.

The Gladiators intercepted a Grayling pass. On the first play of the resulting series, TCSF ran 48 yards for a touchdown. Troy Wilson blocked the extra point kick, and Traverse City led 27-7.

I. VanNuck returned Traverse City's kickoff all the way to the goal line for a touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra point and GHS trailed 27-14 with 5:27 left in the first half.

On the sixth play of Traverse City's next possession, 4th and 7, the Gladiators went for it and came up short. Grayling took over on downs at its 47-yard line.

On 4th and 2, a Gladiator defender came through the line unblocked on a punt attempt. Bancroft, the punter, pulled the ball down and ran for a first down. Three plays later, on 4th and 1, Grayling turned the ball

over on downs.

Traverse City St. Francis took over with 35 seconds left in the first half. On the final play of the half, the Gladiators tried a fake field goal on 3rd and 20 and the pass fell incomplete.

On the opening kickoff of the second half, Traverse City St. Francis returned the ball all the way to the end zone for a TD. The Gladiators went for two points on the conversion and failed. TCSF led 33-14.

Grayling punted on 4th and 8. On the second play of Traverse City's resulting possession, the Gladiators fumbled and Gabriel recovered the loose ball for GHS.

A 27-yard run by Ryan Cooper brought up 1st and 10 at the 20-yard line of TCSF. On 4th and 1, Grayling came up short and surrendered the ball on downs.

On 4th and 20, Grayling blocked a Traverse City St. Francis punt and T. VanNuck recovered the ball for Grayling.

The Vikings turned the ball over on downs after four plays.

Traverse City St. Francis drove 62 yards on five plays and finished the series with a 2-yard TD run. The Gladiators faked the kick on the conversion attempt and threw the ball into the end zone for two points. TCSF led 41-14.

Traverse City's squib kickoff bounced off a Grayling player and the Gladiators recovered the ball. On the first play of the series, TCSF ran a halfback pass play and scored a 40-yard touchdown. With the extra point kick, the Gladiators led 48-14.

Grayling started at its 22-yard line. A pass to Gabriel on 3rd and 10 gained 15 yards. Passes to Nick Parkinson and Gabriel picked up another first down. A pass to Gabriel gained 22 yards on first down. Passes to Parkinson and Stapleton brought up 1st and goal at the 6-yard line. On 2nd and goal at the 1-yard line, T. VanNuck ran for a touchdown. Drudge kicked the extra

point and GHS trailed 48-21.

Traverse City St. Francis recovered Grayling's on-side kick. The Gladiators punted on the sixth play of the possession.

Grayling picked up a first down with a pass to Parkinson. A run by Bancroft and passes to Gabriel and Parkinson brought up 1st and 10 at the 49-yard line. Cooper ran for 11 yards on the next play. A pass to Gabriel gained 15 yards. T. VanNuck ran for 19 yards on 2nd and 10. On 1st and goal at the 16-yard line, Bancroft ran the ball into the end zone for a TD. TCSF led 48-27.

Traverse City covered Grayling's on-side kick and killed the final minutes of the contest. Traverse City St. Francis won by a final score of 48-27.

"The bottom line is that St. Francis outplayed us tonight. They were solid at every position and they did not make mistakes. We limited our turnovers but simply could not get our running game going versus their fast-flowing defense. On offense they ran us over and then made big pass plays whenever they needed to," Coach Ben Brock said. "We did make them look better than they actually were by how intimidated we were. I give St. Francis credit for taking it to us from the very first kickoff. That is something that our staff will definitely have to change if we are to make the playoffs. The postseason is within our grasp if we play how we are capable both physically and mentally."

"We did have a few bright spots on the night, though. Isaac VanNuck battled for us by catching a 20-yard TD pass from Jeff Bancroft. Isaac also returned a kickoff 80 yards for a touchdown. Tim VanNuck scored our third touchdown of the night with a one-yard run. To close out the scoring Jeff Bancroft ran it in from 11 yards out. Jason Drudge was 3 for 4 on his extra points," Coach Brock said.

"Adam Gabriel had his best

game of the year by recording 16 tackles and a fumble recovery. He also had six catches for 84 yards. Nick Parkinson had another consistent night with five catches for 55 yards while recording 17 tackles on defense. Tim VanNuck was our leading rusher with 52 yards on 13 carries. He also had 20 tackles and a sack on defense. Tim now has a team leading 90 tackles and eight sacks on the season. Ryan Cooper had 48 yards rushing on 7 carries. He will be at full strength against Boyne City and this will really help our team's shot at the postseason," Coach Brock said.

"Jeff Bancroft finished throwing 17-31 on his passes for 208 yards and one touchdown. His season totals are 80-154 passing for 1,160 yards and 12 touchdowns. He has now gone back to back seasons passing over a thousand yards. He currently holds the school record for passing yards in a season with 1,554 in 2005. Bancroft's rushing touchdown was his ninth on the season and this marks ties him with his brother Joey Bancroft for most touchdowns in a season with 21. We are proud of his accomplishments and we know that there is still more to come with him as our leader. Jeff has promised the coaches and the team that he will lead us to the playoffs. The last time he made a guarantee like this was one year ago against Kingsford," Coach Brock said.

The Vikings are now 4-1 in Lake Michigan Conference play and 5-2 overall with two regular season games to go.

Grayling plays at Boyne City on Friday, Oct. 13, at 7 p.m.

## JV football team falls to TCSF 47-20

■ Vikings drop to 5-2 with loss at Traverse City St. Francis on Thursday

The GHS junior varsity football squad lost to the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators by a final score of 47-20 at TC last Thursday.

Traverse City St. Francis finished a seven-play scoring drive with a 6-yard TD run and capped a four play series with a 7-yard TD pass to lead 14-0. Halfway through the second quarter the Gladiators scored on a 25-yard punt return and added one more touchdown before halftime to lead 34-0.

"Traverse City scored first in the second half and put their second string in. From here on we outscored them 20-6. Our

offense only had 14 total yards at halftime, but ended the game with 269 yards," Coach Chris Kucharek said.

Grayling finished the contest with 232 rushing yards and 37 passing yards. Dustin Russo scored three rushing touchdowns for GHS and had one two-point conversion run.

"When you make little mistakes against a team this good they turn them into big mistakes," Coach Ron Wymar said.

"I was proud of our kids for playing tough and not giving up in the second half, but we have to learn from this," Coach Kucharek said.

The Vikings are now 5-2 overall with two games left to play.

On Thursday, Oct. 12, Grayling will host Boyne City at 6 p.m.

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 <p>7. Seattle vs. St. Louis</p> <p><b>Hart</b></p> <p>Huge Selection</p> <p>Pontiac GMC Buick</p> <p>1-800-341-HART    3433 W. M-55, West Branch of I-75 • Exit 215</p>	 <p>8. Tennessee vs. Washington</p> <p>Stop In &amp; See Our</p> <p><b>Woodlands COLLECTION</b></p> <p>At Bradley's... We don't have to guarantee the lowest price...  <b>WE HAVE THE LOWEST PRICE!!</b></p> <p><b>Bradley's Furniture</b></p> <p>(989) 275-5421    708 Lake Street, Roscommon    email: bradsfurn@yahoo.com</p>	 <p>9. Kansas City vs. Pittsburgh</p> <p>Stop in and see us for all your building supplies and rental solutions!!</p> <p><b>DuBois Lumber Best &amp; Rental Center</b></p> <p>6593 West M-72    Grayling, MI 49738    (989) 348-4831</p>
 <p>10. Miami vs. NY Jets</p> <p>www.ScottMcNamaraFordofGrayling.com</p> <p><b>Ford</b></p> <p><b>Scott McNamara</b></p> <p>FORD - MERCURY of Grayling (989) 348-3242</p>	 <p>11. Ohio State vs. MSU</p> <p><b>Medicine Shoppe</b></p> <p>Michele Steffey, R. Ph., Owner/Operator    500 N. James St. • Grayling, MI (989) 348-2000</p> <p>Hours: Mon-Fri: 10-6; Sat: 10-1    "Caring Beyond Prescriptions"</p>	 <p>12. Penn State vs. U of M</p> <p><b>AVALANCHE CLASSIFIEDS</b></p> <p>GET IN THE GAME!    ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE</p>

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Game 1	_____
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Game 3	_____
Game 4	_____
Game 5	_____
Game 6	_____
Game 7	_____
Game 8	_____
Game 9	_____
Game 10	_____
Game 11	_____
Game 12	_____

Tiebreaker 1 Game #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Tiebreaker 2 Game #9 \_\_\_\_\_ Tiebreaker 3 Game #12 \_\_\_\_\_

#### Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tie breakers can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.



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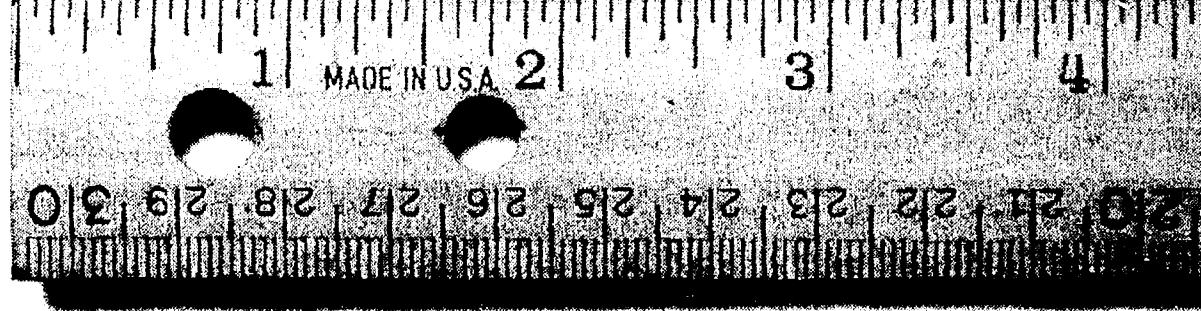
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The Animal Shelter of Crawford County took in 308 dogs/puppies last year. The numbers are on the same track for 2006. Most dogs come to the shelter after being picked up as a stray by Animal Control or have been found wandering by concerned citizens. Some are thoughtlessly abandoned by their owners when they move away. In 2005, less than one-third (97) of the dogs that found refuge at our shelter were claimed by their owners. That leaves a lot of great dogs looking for loving, new homes... and they're looking to you for help!

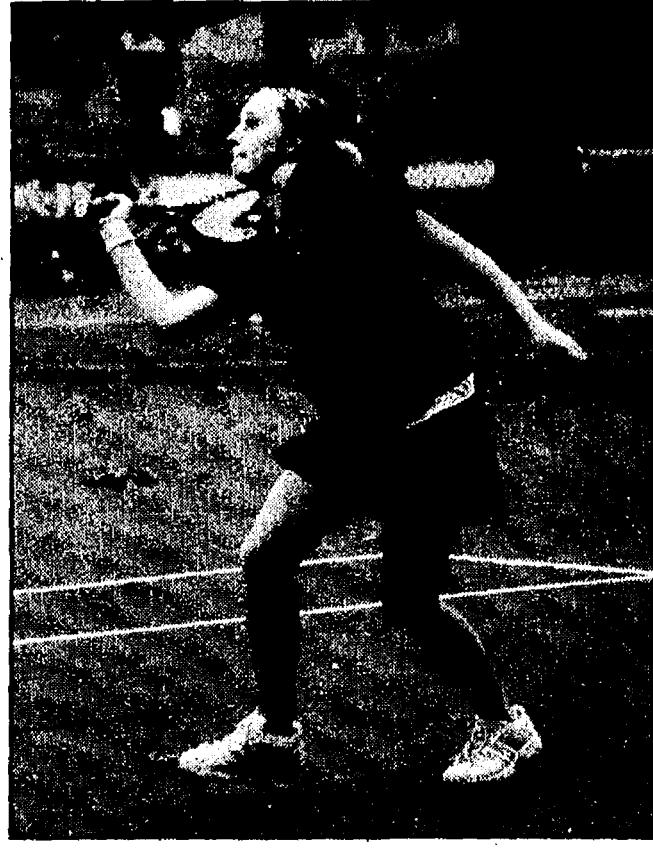
The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall at 508 1/2 Huron St. in Grayling Phone: (989) 348-4117.

Hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mon-Sat and 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sun/Holidays

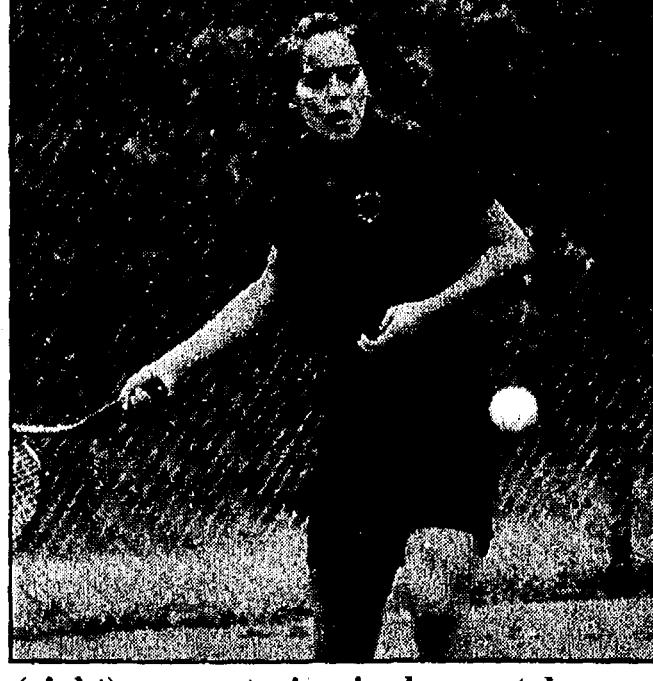
Visit [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com) or [www.verybestpetnetwork.com](http://www.verybestpetnetwork.com) to see all of our dogs and cats awaiting adoption!

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a 501c3 nonprofit organization

## Tennis team hosts Boyne City



Joelissa Kolka (left) and Nicole Metzer (right) play in a doubles match against Boyne City during the GHS girls tennis team's regular season finale last Monday.



Mollie Golnick (left) and Rachel Kaiser (right) compete in singles matches vs. Boyne City on Monday.



### Recreation League

Glen's Market	14 - 6
Mickey Perez CPA	13 - 7
American Legion	11 - 9
Hawk Ridge Golf	11 - 9
Woody Girls	9 - 11
Gale Enterprises	8 - 12
Grayling Manf Housing	7 - 13
Days Inn	7 - 13
High Series: M. Starks, 533, S.	

Harney, 518; N. Glasslee, 487.

High Game: S. Harney, and S. Johnson, 204; N. Glasslee, 197.

### Friday Mixed Doubles

American Legion	15 - 5
New "Kids"	12.5 - 7.5
Poopsie Pin Pounders	12.5 - 7.5
G.L. Hauling	10 - 10
Collen & Starks	10 - 10
Bresmon & Clark	8 - 12
Great Lakes Roofing	8 - 12
Moshier Auto Repair	4 - 16
High Series Men: D. Burger,	

P. Faustman, 610; H. Ingram,

578; L. Crampton, 555. High Game Men: H. Ingram, 228; P. Faustman, 223; L. Crampton,

214.

### National First

Continental Rental	29 - 6
J. Bar	20 - 15
Scott Pittman Bld	18 - 17
Faustman Insurance	18 - 17
Corky's Karaoke	16 - 19
Great Lakes Mort	15 - 20
Legion Lanes	13 - 22
Upper Lakes	11 - 24
High Series: D. Canfield, 630; P. Benardo Sr., 601; C. Brill, 600.	

High Game: D. Canfield, 244;

C. Hellebuyck, 233; J. Thayer,

226.

### Pioneer League

Cal Dutton Const.	11 - 5
Grayling Rest	9 - 7
T.C. Lawncare	9 - 7
"5" B's	9 - 7
Tim's Collision	8 - 8
McDonald's	8 - 8
Spicy Bob's	6 - 10
G.B.D. Const	4 - 12
High Series: T. Rock, 535; M. Cole, 499; J. Cousins, 479. High Game: T. Rock, 205; L. Rutter, 194; M. Cole, 187.	

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### Sunday Mixed Doubles

River Rats	24 - 4
Cuts and More	19 - 9
Little Tyke Daycare	19 - 9
Gray Rock Cafe #1	18 - 10
Spikes	16 - 12
Dennco	7 - 21
Gray Rock Cafe #2	7 - 21
Jerry's Jokers	2 - 26
High Series Men: E. Brosky, 559; K. Slater, 548; R. Strohpaul, 559. High Game Men: K. Slater, 212; E. Brosky, 199; M. Brown, 198. High Series Women: T. Reed, 495; C. Wyatt, 486; T. Haight, 438. High Game Women: T. Haight, and T. Reed, 197; C. Wyatt, 195.	

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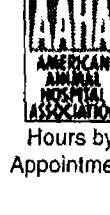
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Grayling Pharmacy 16 - 4

Gaylor Electric 11 - 9

Sylvesters Sports 11 - 9

Kickin Grass 10 - 10

Spike's 9.5 - 10.5

Flowers By Josie 9 - 11

Bear's Den Pizza 9 - 11

Lone Pine 4.5 - 15.5

High Series Women: D. Hall, 506; N. Glasslee, 492; H. Stairs, 474. High Game Women: C. Clark, 185; D. Hall, 182; E. Clark, 178. High Series Men:

Gray Rock Cafe #1 18 - 10

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# GRAYLING REDSKINS FOOTBALL

## Junior Varsity (7th grade)

The Grayling Redskins 7th grade team recently capped an undefeated season with a 7-6 victory over the Cheboygan Chiefs at Redskin Field in the squad's season finale.

The Redskins started the game with two drives over 60 yards, but both possessions ended with fumbles inside the 5-yard line.

Grayling got on the scoreboard with a 6-yard TD run by Steven Enos. Zane Tobin passed to David Bergan for the extra point.

Trevor Dewitt, Craig Collen, and Devon Dawson carried the ball well throughout the contest. Jarred Carlyle, Jeff Brunell, Joey Latuzek, Derek Babbitt, Nick Dorn, Griffin Dean, Cameron Wilson, Thomas Burrell, and Jarred Robbins opened large holes for the running backs during the game and throughout the season," Coach Bill Dean said.

The team's defensive unit was led by Avery Bergman, Calvin Kangas, Brandon Bieda, Brandon Young, Russell Stein, Ryan

Randall, Cody Elmy, Joey Schwartz, and Nick Wells.

"The boys worked hard in practice, executed well in the games, and deserve the success they earned this season. This is a great bunch of kids who will continue to be successful at the next level," Coach Dean said.

The Redskins travel to Mt. Pleasant on Saturday, Oct. 14, to view the CMU Chippewas play Ball State and conclude the season on Oct. 21 at 4 p.m. with a banquet at the American Legion Hall.

# POOL LEAGUE

## Women's Standings

Frederic Inn	.....35
Holiday Inn	.....22
Sawmill	.....21

Two Track I	.....20
Legion	.....17
Two Track II	.....17
Growlers Pub	.....12

5 Ball Runs: Deanne (Two Track I); 6 Ball Runs: Marie (Sawmill).
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# LEGAL ACTION

## STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE 46TH CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

### FILE NO. 06-7053-CH

CPTF - Forest Dunes Holding Company, L.L.C., a Michigan Limited Liability Company Plaintiff,

v

CPTF-FOREST DUNES HOLDING COMPANY, L.L.C., a Michigan Limited Liability Company, SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP, KENNETH RIEHLE, Chairman, Crawford County Road Commission; JAMES E. BURTCHE, Drain Commissioner, Crawford County Drain Commission; JAY B. RISING, Treasurer, State of Michigan; GLORIA J. JEFF, Director, Michigan Department of Transportation; REBECCA A. HUMPHRIES, Director Michigan Department of Natural Resources; STEVEN E. CHESTER, Director for the Department of Environmental Quality, CONSUMERS ENERGY, JAN M. WALTON, JILL ROBINSON, DEBRA KABE, DANA WALTON, JUDY WALTON AND JOAN WALTON, NANCY ANN GENO-MISHKO, RON MISHKO, MILTON RAY COLVIN, SANDRA K. COLVIN, JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, BANK ONE NA, DAVEY JOHN HOADLEY, ROBERT S. GOEBEL, BARBARA A. GOEBEL and ALAN L. WIENE TRUST U/A/D 9-12-91 Defendants.

GERARD F. BRABANT, P.C.  
By: Gerard F. Brabant P31123  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
P.O. Box 35  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
(989) 275-4365

### ORDER TO ANSWER

On the 21st of June, 2006, an action was filed by Plaintiff, against Defendants in this court to pursue a judgment to vacate plats against the Defendants concerning the following described real property:

All lots with the plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1, except Lots 31, 67, 68, 101 and 109.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of Plaintiffs, attesting to the fact that service upon the Defendants, MILTON R. COLVIN of Lot 101 of the Plat of South Branch Ranch Unit No. 1, BARBARA A. GOEBEL of Unit 36, Forest Dunes Condominium, best be apprised of the pendency of this action by publication of this Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendants, MILTON R. COLVIN, BARBARA A. GOEBEL, shall file their answer with the Court and serve a copy of their answer on the law office GERARD F. BRABANT, P.C. by Gerard F. Brabant, Attorney for Plaintiffs, whose address is 241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35, Roscommon, MI 48653, or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 16th day of November, 2006. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgement by default against the Defendants, MILTON R. COLVIN, BARBARA A. GOEBEL, for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be published once each week for three consecutive weeks in Crawford County Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within 14 days from the date of entry of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted once each week for three (3) weeks on the property owned by the Defendants named herein.

Date of Order: 28 September 2006  
HONORABLE JANET M. ALLEN  
P30817  
Circuit Court Judge

-12-19-26

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

### IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Gregory A. O'Dell and Tammy J... O'Dell aka Tammy O'Dell, Husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 3, 2006, and recorded on January 5, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 305, and assigned by said Mortgagor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as assignee by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Fifteen And 63/100 Dollars (\$79,415.63), including interest at 6.625% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 15, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 18, Livingston Acres, According to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats Page 56, Crawford County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 12, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #109008FO1

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew J. Ashton, a single man, to First Franklin Financial Corporation, subsidiary of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated June 7, 2004 and recorded June 11, 2004 in Liber 668, Page 978, and rerecorded 06/21/2004 liber 669 page 297, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., trustee by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Six Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Eight and 82/100 Dollars (\$76,698.82) including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on NOVEMBER 1, 2006.

Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 7, Clough's Highland Acres, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats Page 65, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from

the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

Dated: September 28, 2006  
Orlans Associates, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 209.3831

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas R. Buckalew and Kimberly Buckalew, His Wife, original mortgagor(s), to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated July 24, 1998, and recorded on August 17, 1998 in Liber 461 on Page 34, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Twenty-Three Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Eight And 02/100 Dollars (\$23,928.02), including interest at 7.449% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on October 25, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Beginning at the Northeast Corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 35, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, Thence South 20 Rods, Thence West 8 Rods, Thence North 20 Rods, Thence East 8 Rods to the Point of Beginning, Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 21, 2006  
For more information, please call:  
FC S 248.593.1304  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys For Servicer  
30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200  
Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-5822  
File #106377FO1

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## MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Douglas M. Meroney and Sharon U. Davis, husband and wife, mortgagors, to First National Bank of Gaylord, n/k/a Independent Bank, Mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated July 17, 2002, and was recorded July 23, 2002, in Liber 589 on pages 512 through 516 of the Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$71,703.51, including interest at 24% per year. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on November 1, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: A parcel of land located in the East 1/2 of Section 24, Town 28 North, Range 4 West described

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The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgage before the sale.

as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 24, thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds East along the North and South 1/4 line 663.78 feet for point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 40 minutes 25 seconds East 672.7 feet; thence South 00 degrees 23 minutes 33 seconds East 663.35 feet; thence North 89 degrees 42 minutes 30 seconds West 671.75 feet; thence North 00 degrees 28 minutes 30 seconds West along the North and South 1/4 line 663.78 feet to Point of Beginning. Together with and subject to a right of way for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities as recorded in Liber 119, Page 386 and in Liber 119, Page 501, Crawford County Records Liber 119 s/b Liber 179.

The property to be sold is located in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as:

PARCEL 1: A parcel of land located in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, being part of Lots 11 and 12, Block 15 of the ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County records, being further described as follows: Commencing at the Southerly most corner of Block 15 of said plat; thence N39°03'02" W along the South-westerly line of Block 15 of said plat 6.70 feet to a chiseled "+" in concrete for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing N39°03'02" W 81.30 feet to a 1/2"x18" steel bar with plastic cap marked "MEM 31600"; thence N50°31'59"E parallel with the Southeastern line of Block 15 of said plat 25.16 feet to a 1/2"x18" steel bar with plastic cap marked "MEM 31600"; thence S38°52'10"E along existing building party wall as indicated by joint in exterior wall of building 81.30 feet to a chiseled "+" in concrete; thence S50°31'59"W parallel with the Southeastern line of Block 15 of said plat 24.90 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 28, 2006

JUAREZ & JUAREZ, PC  
Attorneys for Mortgagee  
132 South Eighth  
West Branch, MI 48661  
(989) 345-0601

-5-12-19-26

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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## LEGAL ACTION

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

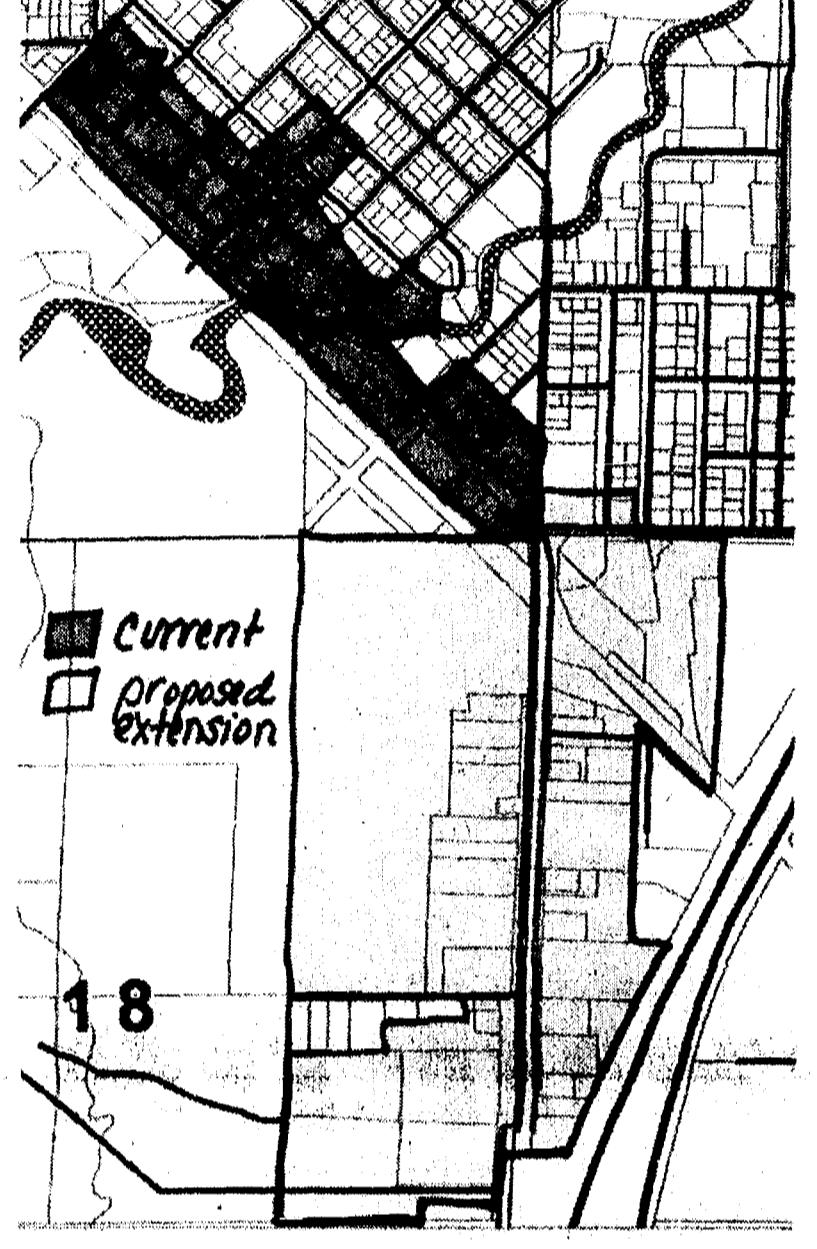
This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by:  
Michael Girard, an Unmarried Man  
to Empire Mortgage XI Inc., Mortgagee, dated July 10, 2000 and recorded September 6, 2000 in Liber 516 Page 545,

### CITY OF GRAYLING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, October 25, 2006 in the Council Chambers at the Grayling City Hall, 1020 City Boulevard, to consider the expansion of the Downtown Development Authority for the City of Grayling pursuant to Act 197 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1975, as amended. All city residents are invited to attend this meeting.

The proposed boundaries of the downtown district in which the Downtown Development Authority will exercise its powers are generally described as follows and shown on the map below:



#### PROPOSED LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR CITY OF GRAYLING DDA EXTENSION

This legal description was created from deeds and surveys of record, no field survey has been performed.

PART OF SECTIONS 8, 17 AND 18, T26N-R3W, GRAYLING TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 17 (ALSO BEING THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 18), T26N-R3W; THENCE NORTH ALONG THE SECTION LINE BETWEEN SECTIONS 7 AND 8, T26N-R3W, TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY EXTENSION OF THE SOUTH ? OF LOT 1, BLOCK 4 OF THE RECORDED PLAT OF MARTHA M. BRINKS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF GRAYLING, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 10 OF PLATS, PAGE 16, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS (WD - LIBER 332, PAGE 377); THENCE EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF THE SOUTH ? OF LOTS 1 AND 16, BLOCK 4 OF SAID MARTHA M. BRINKS ADDITION AND THEIR EASTERLY AND WESTERLY EXTENSIONS TO A POINT THE EAST LINE OF SAID MARTHA M. BRINKS ADDITION; THENCE SOUTH, ALONG SAID EAST LINE, TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 8 (ALSO BEING THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 17); THENCE EASTERLY ALONG NORTH SECTION LINE OF SECTION 17, TO A POINT WHICH IS 230 FEET WEST, ALONG THE SAID NORTH LINE, FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE NORTHWEST ? OF THE NORTHWEST ? OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE SOUTH, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST NORTH-SOUTH 1/8 LINE OF SAID SECTION 17, TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE FORMER PENN CENTRAL RAIL ROAD (QCD L. 477, P. 146); THENCE NORTHWESTERLY, ALONG SAID SOUTHWESTERLY RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY LINE, TO THE POINT WHICH IS 629.5 FEET EASTERLY, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES, FROM THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 17; THENCE SOUTHERLY, PARALLEL WITH SAID WEST LINE OF SECTION 17, TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF A PARCEL, AS SURVEYED AND RECORDED IN LIBER 191, PAGE 312, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS (SAID POINT BEING SOUTH, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SECTION 17, 2282 FEET AND EAST, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO SAID WEST LINE, 629.5 FEET FROM SAID NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 17); THENCE EAST, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO SAID WEST LINE OF SECTION 17, TO A POINT ON THE WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF INTERSTATE I-75 (WD - L.220, P.513; QCD - L. 454, P. 463); THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY, ALONG SAID WESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF INTERSTATE I-75, TO A POINT ON A LINE WHICH IS PERPENDICULAR TO SAID WEST LINE OF SECTION 17 (SAID LINE BEGINNING 1712 FEET NORTH, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 17); THENCE WEST, ALONG SAID LINE AT RIGHT ANGLES TO SAID WEST LINE OF SECTION 17, TO A POINT WHICH IS 1712 FEET NORTH, ALONG SAID WEST LINE, FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 17; THENCE CONTINUING WEST, AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE EAST LINE SECTION 18, TO A POINT ON THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE I-75 BUSINESS LOOP; THENCE SOUTH, ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY LINE, TO THE A POINT ON THE NORTH E-W 1/8 LINE OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE WEST, ALONG SAID NORTH 1/8 LINE, TO A POINT ON THE EAST N-S 1/8 LINE; THENCE NORTH, ALONG SAID EAST 1/8 LINE, 979.9 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF PARCEL A-2, AS SURVEYED AND RECORDED IN LIBER 256, PAGE 64, CCR; THENCE EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID PARCEL A-2, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF A PARCEL DESCRIBED IN A WARRANTY DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 283, PAGE 325, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS; THENCE NORTH, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID RECORDED PARCEL, 171.1 FEET MORE OR LESS TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID PARCEL; THENCE WEST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID PARCEL, 462.15 FEET MORE OR LESS; THENCE NORTH, PARALLEL WITH SAID EAST LINE OF SECTION 18, TO A POINT ON THE EASTWEST ? LINE OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE WEST, ALONG SAID EAST-WEST ? LINE OF SECTION 18, TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE EAST ? OF THE NORTHEAST ? OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE NORTH, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID EAST ? OF THE NORTHEAST ? OF SECTION 18, TO A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 18; THENCE EAST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE OF SECTION 18 TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 18 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

All aspects of the expansion of the Downtown Development Authority will be open for discussion at the public hearing. The City Council will provide an opportunity for interested persons to speak and be heard and shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The Ordinance establishing the Authority is on file with the City Clerk and available for public inspection.

Michele A. Moshier  
City Clerk

at 10:00AM on Wednesday, October 25, 2006.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Part of the West one-half of Section 11, Town 25 North, Range 4 West described as commencing at the South one-quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East, along the North-South one-quarter line of said Section 1449.05 feet to the centerline of Twin Peaks Road; thence North 54 degrees 34 minutes 00 seconds West along said centerline, 552.92 feet; thence North 40 degrees, 36 minutes 44 seconds West, along said centerline 251.56 feet to

the Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds West, Parallel with the North-South one-quarter line of said section, 1355.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 47 minutes 40 seconds West, parallel with the South line of said Section 645.27 feet to a point on an intermediate traverse line along the shore of Kolka Creek, said point being 20 feet from the water's edge; thence leaving said intermediate traverse line, North 59 degrees, 56 minutes 26 seconds East, 814.08 feet; thence North 00 degrees 38 minutes 44 seconds East, parallel with the North-South one-quarter line of said section 833.55 feet; thence North 49 degrees 23 minutes 16 seconds East 90 feet to the centerline of Twin Peaks Road; thence South 40 degrees 36 minutes 44 seconds East, along said centerline 76.15 feet to the point of begin-

ning. Said parcel extends to the center-line of Kolka Creek and contains 15.81 acres of land more or less as measured to the intermediate traverse line. Subject to the right of way for Twin Peaks Road over the Northeasterly 33 feet thereof.

Commonly known as 7637 Twin Peaks Road, Fredrick MI 49733  
The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: SEPTEMBER 14, 2006  
Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC,  
Assignee of Mortgage

Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
811 South Blvd. Suite 100  
Rochester Hills, MI 48307  
(248) 844-5123  
Our File No: 06-48052  
-21-28-5-12-19

### CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD POSITION

THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ARE PRESENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR A POSITION ON THE LIBRARY BOARD. APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE COUNTY RESIDENTS AND SET POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR BOARDS GOVERNANCE AND GENERAL OPERATION WITHIN THE LOCAL LIBRARY. APPLICANTS MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE, HAVE FAMILIARITY WITH PARLIAMENTARY RULES AND PROCEDURES AND THE GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF HISTORICAL, SCIENTIFIC, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION WITHIN THE COUNTY. APPLICATIONS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM AND SUBMITTED TO COUNTY CLERK SANDRA MOORE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2006 AT NOON OR MAY BE OBTAINED ON LINE THRU [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) AND RETURNED TO CRAWFORD COUNTY CLERK 200 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE, GRAYLING, MI 49738.

SANDRA MOORE, COUNTY CLERK  
OCT. 6, 2006

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by JEFFREY S. BURGER and KAREN A. BURGER, HUSBAND AND WIFE, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated October 24, 2003, and recorded on October 29, 2003, in Liber 656, on Page 575, and modified on May 10, 2004, recorded May 28, 2004 in Liber 668, on Page 657, and modified on September 14, 2004, recorded September 27, 2004, in Liber 671, on Page 676, and assigned by said mortgagee to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$78,333.69), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on October 25, 2006

Said premises are situated in Township of SOUTH BRANCH, Crawford County, Michigan and described as:

UNIT 14, RIVER RENDZVOUS CONDOMINIUMS, ACCORDING TO THE MASTER DEED RECORDED IN LIBER 599, PAGES 223-252, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS AND DESIGNATED AS CRAWFORD COUNTY CONDOMINIUM SUBDIVISION PLAN NO. 9; TOGETHER WITH RIGHTS IN THE GENERAL AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS, AS SET FORTH IN THE MASTER DEED AND AS DESCRIBED IN ACT 59 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1978, AS AMENDED, TAX ID NO. 20-062-031-006-020-15

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 13, 2006  
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK Mortgagee/Assignee

Peter M. Schneiderman & Associates, P.C.  
23100 Providence Drive, Suite 450  
Southfield, MI 48075  
-21-28-5-12

### PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 6:00 P.M. in the Circuit Court Room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case #PB060191 Requesting a 93 foot variance to attach garage to house.

Petitioner: Earl Taylor  
1601 Avondale Ave.  
Ann Arbor, MI. 48103

The above case refers to the following described property:  
Previous Address: 9816 Carrie Ln.  
New Address: 9798 Carrie Ln.  
Grayling, MI. 49738

Township: South Branch  
Legal Descs: Parcel B  
Property Code: 063-010-001-025-00  
Zoning District: RDR

All documents are available for review at, and comments should be sent to:

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department  
200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building  
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

### Volunteers needed at Recycling Center

Grayling Township is looking for people who may wish to volunteer time working at the recycling center on North Down River Road. All hours worked can count towards graduation requirements for students, and will satisfy mandatory community service requirements for persons on court probation.

Volunteers will work with a small team of employees sorting and baling recyclables and waiting on the public when they drop off items to be recycled. Any number of hours per week, form 8-to-48, are available for work.

Grayling Township is dedicated to recycling as an earth-friendly service which saves our natural resources and keeps reusable items out of our landfills. Since 1997, the Grayling Township Recycling Center has sent more than 8-million pounds of recyclable items back to markets for remanufacturing.

Interested persons may contact John Wotring at (89) 348-3195 at the recycling center, or Terry Wright at (989) 348-4361 at Grayling Township.

**LEGAL****STATE OF MICHIGAN****PROBATE COURT****COUNTY OF****CRAWFORD****NOTICE TO CREDITORS****Decedent's Estate**

File No. 06-7184 DE

Estate of DANIEL F. REID, AKA

DANIEL REID, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Daniel F. Reid, who lived at 308 Lawndale, Apt. 59, Grayling, Michigan 49738 died October 19, 2005.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Joy B. Wright, named personal representative or

proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Avenue Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

David R. Sabin P19822  
Attorney  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-5588

Joy B. Wright  
Personal representative  
308 Lawndale, Apt 59  
Grayling, MI 49738

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**Crawford County Board of Commissioners**  
meeting minutes are now available on the county website: [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
October 11, 2002

**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES****VACANCY**

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners are accepting applications for an open position with the Crawford County Health and Human Services Agency. Members of this board assume responsibilities and duties to set goals and objectives to meet community needs. The board assures through policy and procedures, that the agency programs are translated with both efficient and effective services. Applicants must be 18 years of age, a Crawford County resident, have a genuine desire to devote time and effort to develop a knowledge of public welfare. The deadline to submit applications is Friday October 27, 2006. Applications may be sought from Sandra Moore, Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds, at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

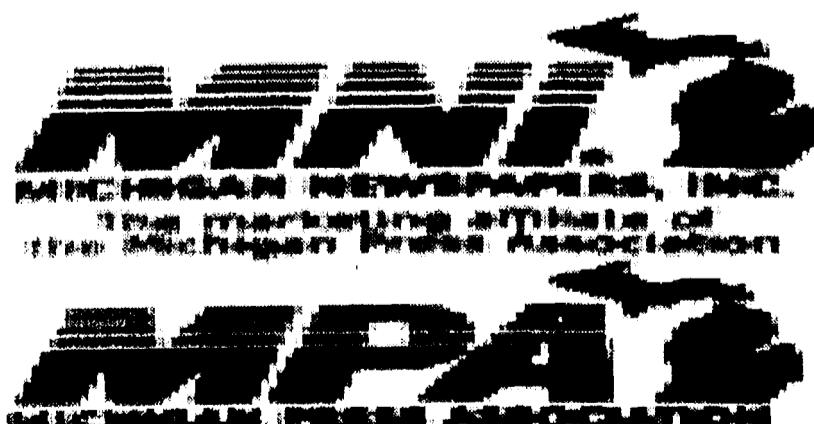
**KIRTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS****EXTERIOR DOOR REPLACEMENT**

Kirtland Community College is accepting proposals from licensed contractors for replacement of exterior doors at the Student Center on the main campus.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2006 at 9:00 a.m. Prospective bidders should meet at the facilities management office in the Arts/Maintenance Building on Kirtland's campus.

Proposals will be received in the facilities management office until Thursday, October 26, 2006 at 3:30 p.m. at which time they shall be opened and publicly read. Bid documents may be obtained in the physical plant office in the Art/Maintenance Building upon payment of \$25.00 (non-refundable, check or money order only).

Any questions regarding this project should be directed to JoAnn Comerford, Director of Facilities at 989-275-5000, Ext. 249.

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# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago October 13, 1983

The third annual Michigan Basketweavers Convention held in Grayling drew 400 weavers and visitors to the Grayling Holiday Inn.

Crawford County woods have attracted a lot of bowhunters but the archers haven't been reporting too many kills, said DNR wildlife biologist Ray Perez.

Bill Lucksted, a '79 GHS graduate, broke two Grand Valley State records, and tied for another one Saturday in a 52-21 romp over Ferris State. Lucksted, a starting wide receiver since his sophomore year, caught five passes for 135 yards and two touchdowns. He now holds the career receptions and total yardage records formerly held by Rob Rubik and Jeff Chadwick, who play for the Detroit Lions.

The public is invited to an open house at the Grayling Structurwood Weyerhaeuser Mill on Saturday, Oct. 15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guided tours of the \$60 million facility will be conducted and films, displays, and refreshments will be on hand at the mill.

The Grayling football team rubbed their northern rivals' noses in the mud Friday shutting out Gaylord 14-0 on a rainy night. The Vikings took home the traveling "log" for the first time in seven years as they blanked an opponent for the third time this season.

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK



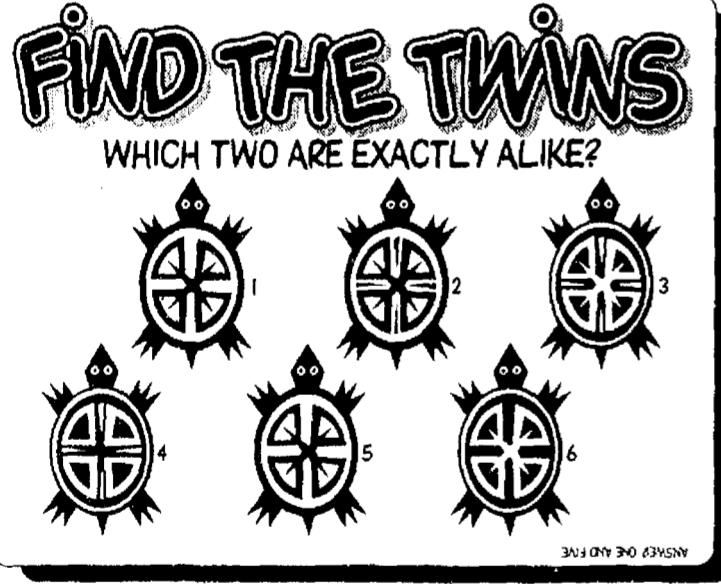
### Spicy Blueberry-Fruit Salsa

4	cups fresh blueberries	1	teaspoon grated lime peel
1 1/2	cups diced mixed fruit (such as melon, grapes, pineapple or kiwi)	1/2	teaspoon ground allspice
2	tablespoons sugar	1/8	teaspoon ground red pepper
2	tablespoons lime juice	1/8	teaspoon ground black pepper
			teaspoon salt

Mildly spiced blueberry salsa adds zest to dessert. In a small bowl, combine blueberries, mixed fruit, sugar, lime juice, lime peel, allspice, red and black peppers and salt. Serve immediately or refrigerate covered, up to 4 hours.

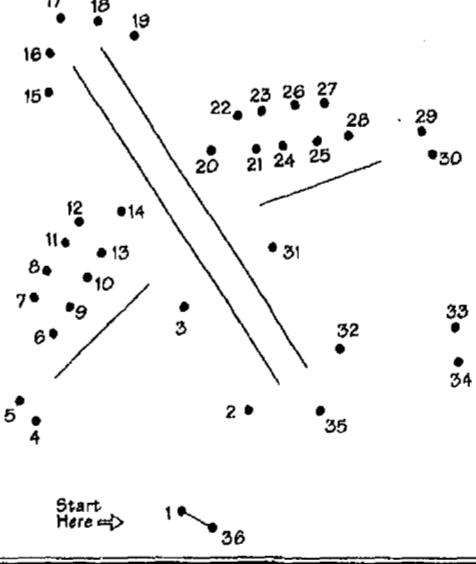
Yield: 5 1/2 cups

### JES & KIDDING...



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SNEEZE WITH  
YOUR EYES  
OPEN.

### CONNECT the dots



## HOROSCOPES

For the week of October 12, 2006



Feeling blue, Capricorn? Lucky you to have so many friends who care. They will coax you out of your funk with a lavish feast. Don't forget to say thank you.

December 22–January 19



True to form, Aries, a young friend plays the odds once again. Don't bother being there to pick up the pieces. This is one lesson they must learn on their own.

March 21–April 19



What a week you're in for, Cancer. You're slammed with work everywhere you turn. Keep your nose to the grind and push your way through it. You won't regret it.

June 22–July 22



A family friend receives a clean bill of health. Send them a special token of congratulations. A project in the works raises everyone's expectations.

September 23–October 22



Financial freedom is yours at last, Aquarius. Slip on your dancing shoes and get ready to party. An announcement at work puts life into perspective.

January 20–February 18



You're a picture of health these days. Share your secret with an ailing acquaintance. A dream inches closer—work to make it happen.

April 20–May 20



Encouraging words come from an unlikely source, Leo. Use your newfound confidence to inspire others. A small miracle takes place close to home.

July 23–August 22



Your taste for the finer things in life is taking its toll on your finances. Cut back and take some time to enjoy the treasures you have collected thus far.

October 23–November 21



Childish impulses strike, Pisces. Let your hair down and have a little fun. Who cares what others think. Travel plans are on par for the course.

February 19–March 20



A deserving coworker comes through a trying ordeal. Take them out to celebrate. A news story piques your curiosity and turns you on to a new hobby.

May 21–June 21



What a blast this week is going to be, Virgo. Old friends and new will stop by with interesting tales and pleasant offers. Who knew you were so popular?

August 23–September 22



Wishing you were somewhere else, Sagittarius? Don't look now, but a trip is in the works. Enjoy yourself and don't forget to take along some extra film.

November 22–December 21

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY.

### 92 Years Ago October 15, 1914

each class. The game against the Boyne City Ramblers will start at 8 p.m.

Some two hundred pupils, teachers and officers were on hand last Sunday morning for Michelson Memorials new church school year. Total enrollment figures are not available nor is a complete roster of church school workers, but indications are that a very good year is off to a very good start.

Last Friday night during the football game, the band put on a political half-time show with the main theme being "Election Time." The band formed the letters K and N in honor of the presidential candidates.

### 69 Years Ago October 14, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Clise have moved into their home on Michigan Avenue, which they recently purchased from the Mrs. Margaret Burton estate.

Thomas Zohott of the new Grayling Auto Parts, has moved his family into an apartment in the Edgar Douglas home. Mrs. Zohott and little daughter arrived from Detroit the last of the week.

A fine new sewage treatment plant was accepted at a meeting of the city council. The plant will be completed in a very short time and ready for use.

The AuSable Diary with Victor Peterson as proprietor, has added a soda fountain in connection with the dairy business. The fountain was installed this week together with booths for convenience of patrons.

The Electric Light Company has given notice that the power will be shut off for about four nights, beginning Sunday night, to enable men to make the necessary repairs and changes.

Mayor T. W. Hanson is in receipt of a new Hupp runabout.

Don Moshier and his wife, who have spent the summer down the river at their ranch, herding over one hundred head of cattle, have moved to town for the winter.

Work on the new fish hatchery building has nicely begun and the foundation for the building is nearly completed. This project is being financed by individual stick subscriptions and will be incorporated for \$5,000.

Earl Dawson is a new clerk at the Standard restaurant.

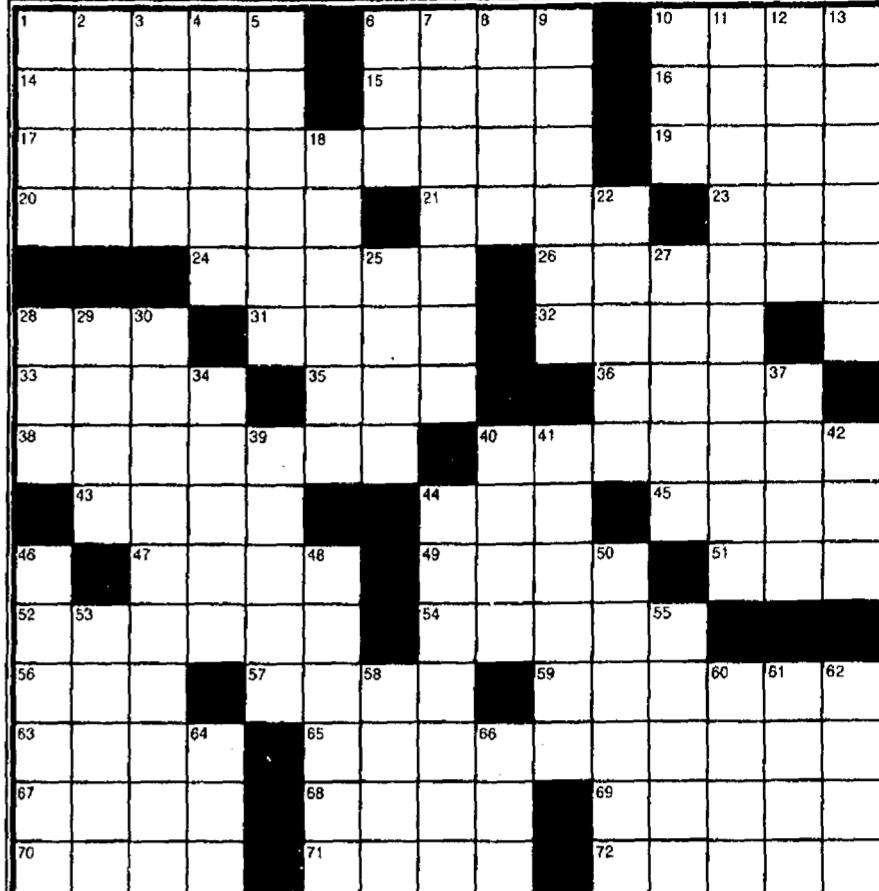
Miss Minnie Sherman is the new clerk at the Frank Dreese store.

Miss Johanna Hendrickson is assisting in the post office for a couple of weeks.

Miss Matilda Foley of the class of 1914, presented each one of her classmates with a beautiful class picture consisting of separate photographs of the high school building and the faculty surrounded by the members of the class.

Walter Cowell has purchased the barber shop of Frank Gierke and took possession last Tuesday. Mr. Gierke and family will move to Manistique in the upper peninsula.

## CROSSWORD



- Across:
- Careful control in following high standards.
  - Set of behavioral expectations appropriate to an individual's social position.
  - Thin contractile disc with a central opening in front of the lens in vertebrate eyes.
  - Make agast.
  - Sequence of eight.
  - Orator.
  - Acronym for British Airports Authority.
  - Generate within.
  - Distribute to the poor.
  - Marked by deception.
  - Back in the past.
  - Material on which a plant grows.
  - Run away secretly in order to get married.
  - Afraid.
  - Show something to be the opposite of what was thought.
  - 22 Mira Sorvino film.
  - One of a number of clubs with a head made of iron.
  - Restrict.
  - Acronym for over the top.
  - Very rearmost section of a ski.
  - Charge.
  - Mak lively.
  - Supernatural force believed to dwell in a sacred object.
  - Zero.
  - Give an extremely enthusiastic review.
  - Medicine that provokes vomiting.
  - Movement once around a course.
  - Richard Harris film.
  - Long, narrow, thin strip of wood.
  - Clerk in the navy.
  - Act of turning for assistance.
  - Machine built to resemble a human in behavior and sometimes appearance.
  - One of the four signs of inflammation.
  - Powdery starch from certain sago palms.
  - External structure of a vehicle.
  - Long period of time.
  - Indian peasant.
  - Popular music originating in 1960s Jamaica.
  - Whole duration of a being.
- Down:
- Thin contractile disc with a central opening in front of the lens in vertebrate eyes.
  - Set of behavioral expectations appropriate to an individual's social position.
  - Thin contractile disc with a central opening in front of the lens in vertebrate eyes.
  - Make agast.
  - Sequence of eight.
  - Orator.
  - Acronym for British Airports Authority.
  - Generate within.
  - Distribute to the poor.
  - Marked by deception.
  - Back in the past.
  - Material on which a plant grows.
  - Run away secretly in order to get married.
  - Afraid.
  - Show something to be the opposite of what was thought.
  - 22 Mira Sorvino film.
  - One of a number of clubs with a head made of iron.
  - Restrict.
  - Acronym for over the top.
  - Very rearmost section of a ski.
  - Charge.
  - Mak lively.
  - Supernatural force believed to dwell in a sacred object.
  - Zero.
  - Give an extremely enthusiastic review.
  - Medicine that provokes vomiting.
  - Movement once around a course.
  - Richard Harris film.
  - Long, narrow, thin strip of wood.
  - Clerk in the navy.
  - Act of turning for assistance.
  - Machine built to resemble a human in behavior and sometimes appearance.
  - One of the four signs of inflammation.
  - Powdery starch from certain sago palms.
  - External structure of a vehicle.
  - Long period of time.
  - Indian peasant.
  - Popular music originating in 1960s Jamaica.
  - Whole duration of a being.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## ADOPT A PET



Misty

is a beautiful blue/gray long haired cat. She is quite the queen. This cat would do well with someone looking for an independent and confident cat. Misty has "catitude".



Magic

is a 2 year old black and white Tuxedo cat. She is friendly, active and has loads of personality. She likes other cats and doesn't mind dogs. All Magic needs is a home.



The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is a participating member of the Very Best Pet Network.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:  
**508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling**

Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall

Hours: Open 9 to 1 Monday thru Saturday, 9 to 12 on Sundays and Holidays

After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

For more pets or more information, visit our website [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com)

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	Last Week			Extended Forecast (Courtesy of the Weather.com)					
	H	L	Precip. Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
10/4	75	56	2.65						
10/5	60	31	0.11	High	High	High	High	High	High
10/6	53	27	0	35	40	46	48	54	54
10/7	59	26	0	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
10/8	65	27	0	27	29	36	34	40	37
10/9	74	27	0	Snow Shower	Snow Shower	Rain/snow Showers	Showers	Few Showers	Showers
10/10	60	40	0						



**NICE, CLEAN** two bedroom mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. \$425/month, plus deposit. No pets. 348-2418. (-12-19/2)

**CLEAN**, 2 bedroom house in country, 1 plus car garage, washer/dryer furnished, references, plus security deposit. \$525 per month. 989-329-4826. (-12-19/2)

**MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT** \$425 and up, some pet restrictions. Also trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

**TWO BEDROOM** 1 bath, washer/dryer hookup, refrigerator, range included. Utilities not included. No Pets. \$425/month, plus \$425 security. 6272 Old Lake Rd. (989) 348-4716. (8/17/06tf/2)

**NEWLY REMODELED** 2 bedroom, 2 full bath, 2-car garage on Lake Margrethe. All new appliances. \$1,100 per month, plus utilities. 248-650-4762. (LR10/12/06/2)

**RUSTIC LOG CABIN** with 250 feet on scenic Manistee River, newly renovated, fully furnished. 3/2, 2 fireplaces, finished basement with pool table, outdoor sauna, \$500/week; \$2,000/month. First/last, plus security, non-smoking, no pets. References required. Contact 989-348-6141 or 989-348-8497. (10/12/06tf/2)

**FOR RENT** 2 bedroom apartment, non-smoking, no pets. \$475/month, plus. 348-4840. (LR10/19/06/2)

**TWO BEDROOM CABIN** near river, \$550/month, plus. Non-smoking, no pets. 348-4840. (LR10/19/06/2)

**AUSABLE RIVER FRONT** 2 bedroom, natural gas, cable, 1 mile from town. \$750 per month. Sept. 1 to June 1. 348-8818. (8/31/06tf/2)

**FOR RENT** Grayling 2 bedroom home, new carpet, freshly painted, includes stove, refrigerator, and outdoor storage shed. \$450 per month, \$450 deposit. For application, call 989-344-1406 and leave a message. (-5-12-19/2)

**FOR RENT IN TOWN** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, nearly 1000 sq. ft., additional room could be used as office. \$550, plus utilities and deposit. 586-899-4405 or 586-786-9060. (-12-19/2)

**TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX** appliances, heat. \$630 a month, \$500 security deposit. 989-390-0027 or 989-348-6938. (9/14/06tf/2)

**THREE BEDROOM** 2 bath, 1800 sq. ft., 2-car garage. \$750, plus security. Immediate occupancy. 313-768-5667. (LR10/19/06/2)

**TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT** located at 911 Elm St. in Grayling. Available now, \$450 per month, plus deposit and utilities. Must have references. Call Northwoods Rentals, 989-344-8787. (-5-12/2)

**FOR RENT** 2 bedroom home with small garage. Close to town. \$550/month, plus utilities. Discounts for on-time payment. Available 11/1. Call 989-390-1807. (10/5/06tf/2)

**2 BEDROOM APARTMENT** no animals, \$610 a month. Includes all utilities and cable. Above the Frederic Inn. Call 348-8636 or 705-7111, ask for Sis or Lona. (9/28/06tf/2)

**THE GRAYLING HOUSING COMMISSION** has a 2 bedroom apartment for seniors/disabled persons available for immediate occupancy. Maximum rent charge is \$400 per month. Applications are available at 308 Lawndale or on the internet at graylinghousing.org. For more information please contact 989-348-9314. (-12-19/2)

**GREAT RENTAL** Clean, fully furnished, 3 bedroom home, just steps away from Higgins Lake. Available Oct. thru May, no pets, non-smoking. \$650 per month. Please call 231-218-8529. (-5-12/2)

**FOR RENT** 2 to 3 bedroom, large garage, in town. Rent includes water. \$600 per month. Call 989-344-8185, evenings. (-5-12/2)

**205 CRESTWOOD** for sale or lease. Rent is \$600 per month, large modular. (w) 348-4252 from 9 - 5. (h) 348-5256. (-5-12/2)

**NEWLY REMODELED** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, with washer/dryer, close to Grayling. 1968 M-72 East. Contact Caroline at 231-796-5099. (LR10/26/06/2)

**FOR RENT** nice home in town, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, attached 2-car garage, fenced yard, close to schools, hospital. 348-5879. (-5-12/2)

**TWO BEDROOM MOBILE HOME** located at 4327 Pinecrest St. off Wilcox Bridge Rd., \$450 per month, plus deposit and utilities, must have references. Call Northwoods Rentals, 989-344-8787. (-5-12/2)

**FOR RENT** south of Grayling. Month to month basis, full log, 3 bedroom, 1 bath, on 7 acres. Currently listed with realtor. \$700, own utilities, first, last and security. 231-735-1602. (-12/2)

**HOUSE FOR RENT** 2 bedroom, stove and refrigerator included, basement laundry with washer/dryer. \$475 monthly, plus utilities and \$250 deposit. No pets. Available October 15, 2006. Credit and work references required. (989) 348-5911, leave message. Cell: 989-370-1696. (-12/2)

**CABINS AT LOST ACRES** Rent a cozy cabin year round from \$375 per month, including all utilities. 30 wooded acres, walk to Blue Gill Lake. \$200 security, no pets. 877-227-6976. (10/12/06tf/2)

**3 Employment**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE POSITION** available at the Holiday Inn Grayling. Knowledge of QuickBooks helpful. Please apply in person at the front desk. 2650 I-75 Business Loop, Grayling. (-12-29/3)

**3 Employment**

**NORTH CENTRAL AREA CREDIT UNION**, Grayling office is now accepting applications for a part-time teller. Applicants must be able to work flexible schedules, have experience in sales and computer knowledge, experience with handling cash transactions as well as excellent people skills. You may pick up an application at 505 Clyde Street, Grayling, or fax resume to (989) 348-5193, attention Janet Varney-Small. (-12-19/3)

**ADVANCE AMERICA/CASH ADVANCE** Part-time employment. Apply at 2325 S. I-75 Business Loop, next to Pizza Hut. 989-348-4593. Fax, 989-348-6979. (-12-19/26/3)

**ATTENTION DRIVERS** no experience necessary. TMC Transportation needs drivers. \$650 per week guaranteed. Off weekends. Local CDL training. 800-882-7364. (LR10/26/06/3)

**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: October 6, 2006. Position: Grayling High School Girls Soccer Coach.

**Qualifications:** Soccer background in playing and/or coaching organized soccer. Additional information available at 1135 North Old 27. Apply to: Joseph P. Powers, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable Schools, 1135 North Old 27, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m., October 20, 2006. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-12-19/3)

**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: October 6, 2006. Position: Grayling High School Varsity Winter Competitive Cheerleading Coach.

**Qualifications:** Competitive Cheerleading background in playing and/or coaching organized competitive cheerleading. Additional information available at 1135 North Old 27.

**COMPASSIONATE CARE** Health Services is seeking a full-time Staff Supervisor for the Gaylord office. Duties include staffing, payroll, billing, and office organization. Basic computer knowledge and some experience in home health care would be a plus. If interested please call Arlene or Jody at 1-866-705-8844. (-12-19/26/3)

**HELP WANTED HINTS** When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications.

**Crawford County Avalanche** 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811

**3 Employment**

**3 Employment**

**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: October 6, 2006. Position: Two Grayling Middle School Boys Basketball Coaches. Qualifications: Basketball background in playing and/or coaching organized basketball. Additional information available at 1135 North Old 27. Apply to: Joseph P. Powers, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable Schools, 1135 North Old 27, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m., October 20, 2006. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-12-19/3)

**LEARN BASIC SEWING SKILLS** as you make a pair of flannel lounge pants. This and other classes are available at Fabrics & More. Stop in for a class schedule or call 344-0986. (-12-19/4)

**SEWING, ZIPPERS, MENDING** quilter. Ask for Lorrie (989) 348-9349. (LR11/2/06/4)

**I CHARGE** by the job, not by the hour. Yard work, mowing, raking, painting, and cleaning debris off roofs, etc. 348-5081. (-5-12-19/4)

**PROFESSIONAL HEMMING** jeans, dresses, slacks, etc. Custom made bedding. 989-344-2444. (-12/4)

**RTH HOME IMPROVEMENT** all your interior and exterior needs. Garages, additions, drywall, painting, roofing, siding, decks, and more. Licensed and insured, free estimates. Rob Harrington 989-344-1383. (-9/16/04tf/4)

**DRIVER'S EDUCATION** Segment 1, 2, automobile and motorcycle road testing available from the Grayling Driver's Training School. Classes, November 1, January 8, 2007. Call 348-8838 for materials. (LR10/26/06/4)

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL** Kabota backhoe/loader, by the day or week. \$150, delivery available. Call 989-348-9714. (LR10/19/06/4)

**D. HAWES/DRIVERS' TRAINING** Northern Driving School, currently providing driving instruction in Crawford County, is now taking reservations for upcoming classes.

**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: October 6, 2006. Position: Grayling High School Varsity Winter Competitive Cheerleading Coach.

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**NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION** Posting date: October 6, 2006. Position: Grayling High School Varsity Baseball Coaches.

**Qualifications:** Baseball background in playing and/or coaching organized baseball. Additional information available at 1135 North Old 27. Apply to: Joseph P. Powers, Superintendent, Crawford AuSable Schools, 1135 North Old 27, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m., October 20, 2006. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-12-19/3)

**AVALANCHE OFFICE HOURS:** Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (989) 348-6811

**WE'LL PAINT YOUR HOME** like it was our own." Interior/exterior house painting, power washing, deck staining/sealing. Small local company with reasonable rates. Quality handyman service also available. Free estimates. (989) 858-3635. (LR10/19/06/4)

**LARRY'S TAXI SERVICE** of Grayling. 390-4706. Reasonable prices, senior discounts. (-12-19/4)

**HARDBODYZ SPORTS CLUB**

**Introduction to Racquetball**

**THURSDAY AT 7PM**

**348-7199**

**SNOWPLOWING BIDS** are being taken until Oct 29th for the parking lot at Mt. Hope Lutheran Church. For information please call Frank at 344-1734

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### Grayling Recreation Authority

#### Assistant Director

##### Job Description

Salary: \$20,000 + Benefits

Application Deadline: October 31, 2006

Description: Under the direct supervision of the Director of Operations for the Grayling Recreation Authority, this position is responsible for the effective planning, coordination, supervision, delivery and evaluation of comprehensive year-round, seasonal and special recreational activities and programs for the Grayling Recreation Authority.

- Develops schedules, coordinates volunteers and program officials.
- Directs and evaluates recreational programs.
- Reviews and evaluates the success of programs and makes recommendations for continuation or cancellation.
- Prepares Grant applications and sponsorship requests to enhance recreation programs.
- Marketing and promotion of programs through advertising, including the creation of seasonal brochures, news releases, flyers, pamphlets and all public relation materials.
- Performs related tasks as required for the organization.
- May be required to physically set up programs.
- Evening and weekend hours may be required on a regular basis.

##### Requirements:

Minimum of (2) years experience, or a Bachelors Degree in Recreation Management, Parks & Recreation, Sports Management, Administration, Business Management, or related field. Must be a U.S. Resident.

##### Employer Information:

The Grayling Recreation Authority (G.R.A.) is a 501c3 non-profit organization, located in Grayling, Michigan. G.R.A. Manages and Operates Hanson Hills Recreation Area, The Grayling Fish Hatchery, along with providing various recreational programs and special events for the community of Grayling.

Contact Information: The Grayling Recreation Authority P.O. Box 361 Grayling, Michigan 49738 Phone: 989-348-9266 Fax: 989-348-1393 Email: hansonhills@hotmail.com Web: WWW.HANSONHILLS.ORG

### POSITION OPENING

#### Part-Time Composition

Computer experience in designing advertisements using Macintosh computers with Quark, Photoshop and Adobe preferred. Must be reliable and able to work within deadlines.

**Send Resume to:**

**Crawford County Avalanche**

P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738

**MUNSON HOME HEALTH**

Munson Home Health, Gaylord Private Services, has immediate opening for **service coordinator**. Qualified candidates will be registered nurses with at least 1 year hospital or extended care experience. Home care or private services experience is a plus! Position works out of Gaylord office assisting with staffing, home health aide training, establishing plans of care, and serves as resource for field staff. May need to travel throughout Gaylord territory. Also need: **Home Health Aides** with 6 months of nursing home or home care/private services experience. Must have reliable transportation. For information call: Jody Snider, Clinical Supervisor 800-252-2065

Apply at: [www.munsonhealthcare.org](http://www.munsonhealthcare.org)<

**Classifieds****Services Offered****5. For Sale****5. For Sale****6. Wanted****8. Announcements**

**ARE YOU TIRED** of looking at your old pole building? We can make it looking new again. Call Tom's Pole Buildings, 800-541-3974. (10/5/06tf/4)

**LICENSED DAY CARE** has openings. All meals and snacks provided. 7 am - 5:30 pm. Crafts, curriculum time, TLC, indoor and outdoor time. Sherwood Forest subdivision. Call Teresa at 348-4170. (-5-12/4)

**YARD WORK** Two man crew, truck with rack. Hauling of debris, tree work, oak firewood, roof and gutter clean, home winter care. \$30 per hour. Snow plowing, walkway cleared, anything else. Call 989-348-7046. (LR10/26/06/4)

**AUSABLE ADULT** Foster Care Home has openings for males or females in their quiet setting home. Private rooms. Call for information. 989-348-7603. (LR11/2/06/4)

**CLEANING** for residential and business. Reasonable, reliable, professional, and thorough. Call Lori at 989-275-4882. (-12-19/4)

**SEAMS LIKE HOME** Military sewing by Dar Welt. Winter hours are by appointment. Call 348-7220. (LR11/30/06/4)

**5. For Sale**

**Seasoned Oak Firewood Ready to Burn**  
\$50.00 per face cord  
Delivery Available  
Call Chris  
989-348-1870  
989-619-0912

**CHILD CARE** Two full-time openings for children over 18 months, \$2 an hour. Call 344-2044. (-12/4)

**EXPERIENCED HANDYMAN** Fifteen years experience, no job too big or small, including carpentry, plumbing, painting, lawn cleanups. Call Dan for free estimates, (989) 710-0758. (-12-19/26/4)

**5. For Sale**

**QUEEN SIZE MATTRESS** set with Amish made pine log headboard and free frame still in plastic, never used. Cost \$800, will sacrifice for \$235. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03tf/5)

**QUEEN SIZE PILLOW TOP** mattress and box springs new in plastic with Amish made pine log headboard. Cost \$995 will sacrifice for \$285. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03tf/5)

**AMISH BUILT** pine log bed. Queen size, beautiful, must see. Will sell for \$265. Queen size mattress set, new in plastic with free frame will sacrifice \$150. Call (989) 539-3910. (7/3/03tf/5)

**CUSTOM SIGNS & LETTERING** for your business, truck or trailer. Large format digital banners and billboards. Call Pete Koceas at 989-348-8627, 1-800-848-1268. (7/20/06tf/5)

**CABIN LOGS** rough sawn lumber, kiln dried lumber, tongue & groove, log siding, custom sawing. T. Warren Sawmill. 989-619-0840. (LR12/28/06/5)

**HARDBODYZ SPORTS CLUB**  
TOTAL CONDITIONING CLASS  
TUESDAY & THURSDAY 6PM  
348-7199

**OAK FIREPLACE WOOD** \$50 per cord, seasoned. Twelve cord available. 348-5124. (-12/5)

**FIREWOOD FOR SALE** Five face cord minimum order, delivery up to 30 miles. \$275 per load. 231-384-0398 or 231-631-9601. (LR11/9/06/5)

**OAK FIREWOOD** cut, split, delivered, \$45/cord. 98 Yamaha Timber Wolf, excellent condition, \$1,500/OBO. 344-2134. (-5-12/5)

**P & C APPLIANCE SERVICE** has used appliances as well as service. 348-0167. (-5-12/5)

**SNOW BLOWERS** Yard Machine: 21" auger, electric start, 6 months old, paid \$399, will sell for \$175. Snapper LE: 19" auger, runs very well, \$75. Call 348-1875. (-5-12/5)

**FOR SALE:** Gibson upright freezer, excellent condition, \$150. Phone 348-7723. (12/5)

**7. Miscellaneous**

**HARDBODYZ SPORTS CLUB**  
CORE TRAINING CLASS  
TUESDAY'S AT 7PM  
348-7199

**Crossword Answers**

**FIREWOOD** aspen/bass, 3-cord load, \$100. Split/delivered. Phone 344-9056. (LR11/23/06/5)

**RIFLE - REMINGTON 7400**, 270 cal., with Simmons 3-10x44 scope, \$450/firm. Wood stove - Quadra Fire, glass door, \$350/firm. Wall furnace - Williams, 50,000 BTU, \$250/firm. Call 348-5214. (-12-19/5)

**NICE RED PINE** rough cut, green, 1", 6/4", 6x6. 49 cents per board foot. 989-710-0861, 989-821-9620. (-12-19/5)

**\$100 OR BEST** Mitsubishi 60" TV, works good, needs front cover screen. 989-390-4117. (-12-19/5)

**FOR SALE** Lift chair, green, like new, \$300/OBO. Like new truck topper, fits 2002 Chevy short box, fiberglass, color pewter, \$450/OBO. (889) 348-9310 after 6 pm. (-12-19/5)

**99 VIKING POP-UP** camper, \$2,800/OBO. 344-2423. (-12-19/5)

**72" WOODS SNOWBLOWER** 3 pt. hitch, used part of a season, \$1,500. Call 989-350-1305. (-12-19/5)

**MACHINIST TOOLS** Calipers, mikes, indicators, boring heads, drill chucks. Priced to sell. 348-2737. (-12/5)

**FOR SALE** King size oak bookcase headboard, excellent condition, \$150. 989-348-4179. (-12/4)

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**8. Announcements**

**HARDBODYZ SPORTS CLUB**  
14-DAY FREE MEMBERSHIP  
14-DAY FITNESS PLAN  
14-DAY EATING PLAN

**WANTED-SCRAP VEHICLES** top dollar paid. Pick up available. 888-471-3818. (3/3/05tf/6)

**WANTED TO BUY** Rittenhouse cottage furniture. 248-851-7585. (03/2/06tf/6)

**USED 2-UP SNOWMOBILE** any make. Must be low miles and top condition. \$\$ waiting. 248-495-2598. (-5-12/6)

**7. Miscellaneous**

**FREE TO GOOD HOME** approximately 5 month old female calico kitten. 989-390-4117 or 989-390-4672. (-12-19/7)

**8. Announcements**

**FAMILY, GRIEF** or general counseling. GRACE Center, Grayling. 989-348-2544. (7/13/06tf/8)

**AUCTION** Oct. 14, 10 am. Pottery, glass, porcelain, household, antiques, collectibles, sportsman, guns, 5 cent slots, jukeboxes, Valley pool table, gas pumps and signs. Model A pickups and sedan, 1970 Monte Carlo, 2000 Impala and more. View online. Lets Talk Auction Company. (989) 848-5158. www.LetsTalkAuction.com (-12/8)

**KIDS** from the community are invited to Trick or Treat at Grayling Nursing and Rehabilitation, 331 Meadows Drive, October 31, from 6 to 7:30 pm. (LR10/26/06/8)

**QUIZNOS SUB** Open house/seminar, McGuire's Resort, 7880 Mackinaw Trail, Cadillac. Wed., Oct. 25, 2006, 7 pm. RSVP: 800-335-4782. www.quiznos.com. 1475 Lawrence St., Ste. 400, Denver, CO 80202. (-12-19/8)

**9. Personals**

**FALL FILL UP SPECIAL** at Fick & Sons. Get 10¢ per gallon off any residential delivery made before Oct. 15, when you mention this ad. Call 989-348-7647. (-28-5-12/8)

**"HUNT WITH FRED BEAR"** New book due out Nov. 1, by Dick Lattimer, order your autographed copy by calling Pete Kocelas at 989-348-8627, 1-800-848-1268 or go to www.FredBearCampfireStories.com for more information. (9/28/06tf/8)

**DON'T FORGET** those unusual gifts for the family. Shop at the GPA Fall Arts and Crafts Show, Saturday, Oct. 14, 10 - 4 at the Grayling Primary School. (-12/8)

**SALE** Hartman's Fly Shop, 6794 E. County Rd. 62. 989-348-9679. Woolrich, Filson, Artisan. Ends 10/31/06. (-12-19-26/8)

**CUB SCOUT PACK #3993** is now selling Christmas wreaths. See your local cub scout to place your order or call 348-9755 for more details. Orders are due by November 6th. Help support your local Cub Scouts. (12/8)

**THE OLE BARN** 6811 W. M-72, Grayling, MI 49738. 989-344-1760. Open 7 days. New management. Sunday: Open pool, \$5 pitchers. Monday: \$1 drafts. Wednesday: Ladies night, \$1.50 well drinks and domestic beer, and Karaoke with Cal Dutton from 9 - 1 am. Thursday: G. I. night. Kitchen open soon. Live band Fri. & Sat., Oct. 14 & 15, Pool Boyz. (-12/8)

**9. Personals**

**Congratulations Matt & Lisa (HUBENSCHMIDT) MORGRIDGE,** ON YOUR 2ND WEDDING ANNIV. Matt is in the U.S.A.F. Stationed at Edward A.F. Base. Lisa and their son Noah reside in Rosamond, CA. Love Mom, Grams Gramps, Jenny, James

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**NOTICE**

The COOR Intermediate School District, 11051 North Cut Road, Pioneer Hill, Roscommon, Michigan 48653, is accepting sealed bids from interested parties to contract for:

1. Snow plowing of the parking areas and driveways at the COOR complex.

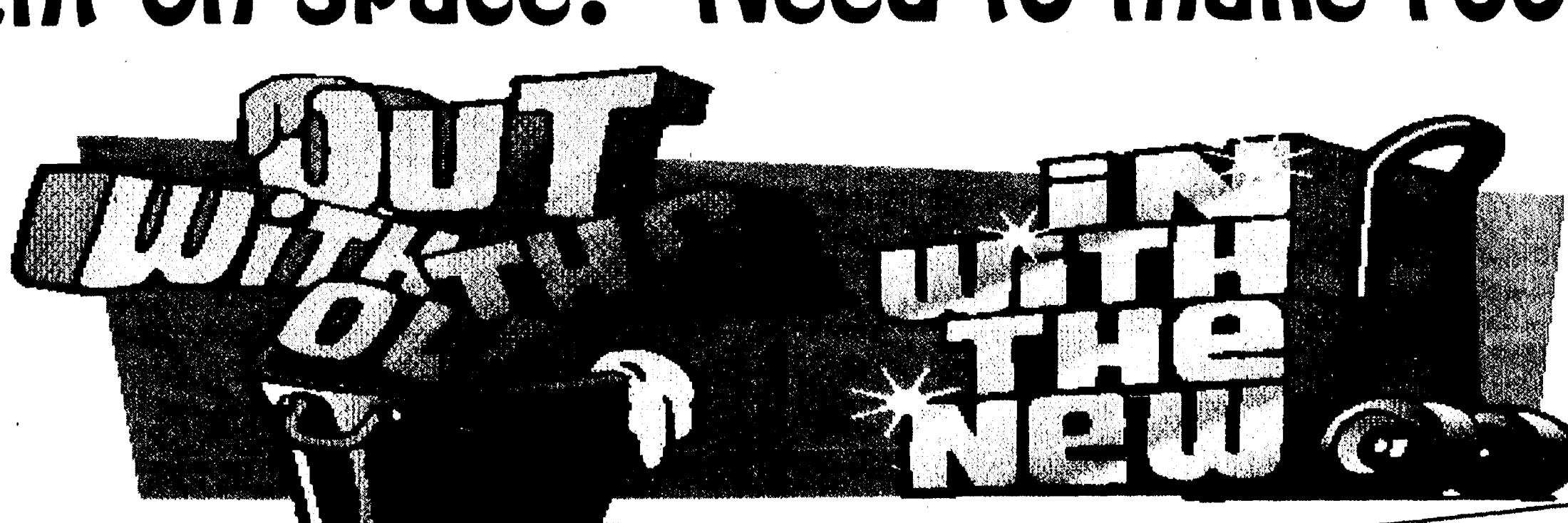
2. Sanding of the parking areas and driveways at the COOR complex.

Specifications will be available beginning October 16, 2006 and may be picked up at the COOR administrative office from 7:30 A.M. until 3:30 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Bids will be accepted until 3:30 P.M. on Friday, October 27, 2006. The board reserves the right to accept or reject all proposals and to accept the proposal in the best interest of the school district.

An Equal Opportunity Program/Employer  
Auxiliary aids, services and alternative format will be made available upon request to individuals with disabilities.  
The COOR Intermediate School District gives notice that it does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, height, weight, political belief, religious belief, marital status, or disabilities in the educational programs and activities operated by the District, including employment. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: William Wachowiak, Coordinator Planning Monitoring and Data Collection, and/or George Johnson, Director of Planning and Finance, 11051 North Cut Rd. P.O. Box 827, Roscommon, MI 48653, (989) 275-9555.

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